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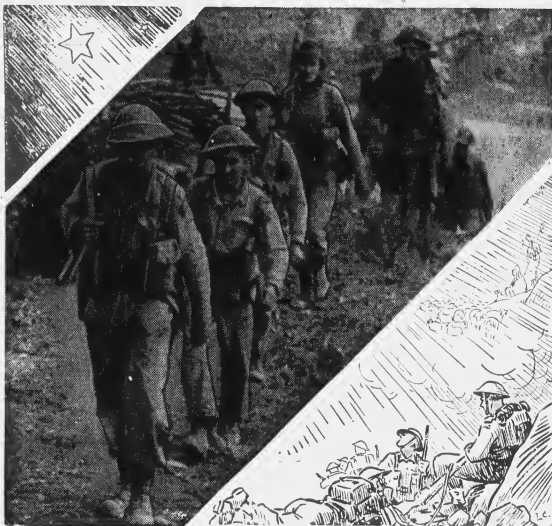
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Christmas Greetings

1944





...UPON A STAR

Under the bright Italian sky, three of our soldiers spoke tonight of the gifts that they would choose, this sombre Christmas Day.

A lean, wheat-haired prairie boy
Spoke of things remembered.
Let me feel the lithe whip
Of that light steel casting rod
And the buttered old hat
With bright flies in the band;
Mail me some of the ham 'n' eggs
Mother cooked on Sunday morning
And the yellow sweatshirt I wore,
The model "T" with my name on the door
And a piece of the back yard
With picket fence and raspberry canes
And a setter who answers to "Bess",
I'll take the case full of books
And those old slippers I wore
And my tool set, if you please,
With some shavings of pine
And, oh, yes, the ice skates
(Behind the garage door).

A husky lad from a western town
Spoke of sight and sound.

Send me the train whistle's cry
Across the sleeping town
And the pull of the summer wind
In the sails of my sleep.
Make me a fat parcel, please,
Of waves along a familiar beach,
The market at Saturday noon,
Rain running in the eaves,
The camp in the Spring
With the maples turning green

And a guitar playing in the night.
Let me hear Foster Hewitt again,
The shouts of kids in the pool
And the milk wagon's rattle
Going down the morning street.
These are the gifts for me
With maybe the sunset after a storm
Across the wide, wet gulf.

An eastern boy, slim and dark,
Spoke of portraits in his mind.

I'll take the Christmas crowds
In the bright-lit city streets
With a Santa Claus at every corner
And the carol-singing boys
Standing in the snow.
If you can send a female V-mail
Send me that girl in the yellow dress
Who waits today in the white cottage
On a high hill with a view.
I'll take the beet-faced Irish cop,
The lads I worked with in the shop,
The mechanic named Gus
And all the friends and folks
Who shared the things of living.
If there is a Kringle, Kris,
Let my gift this Christmas be
A daughter with a button nose
And eyes brown as chocolate drops;
A daughter I've never seen.

Now a strident whistle blew.
Our troops were moving up the line.
The tall kid rose and grinned and said:
"Let's Go! Christmas lies ahead!"

Symbols of Christmas

The elements which betoken Christmas are many and varied, ranging from the Eastern Star, the Three Wise Men and the Manger, to flowers and animals, and the ass, the camel and, to children most of all, the reindeer, which they picture as speeding Santa Claus on his way from rooftop to rooftop as he distributes gifts to the little ones the world over.

Few children are not familiar with the poem, "A Visit from St. Nicholas," by Clement Clarke Moore. The eight tiny reindeer which pulled Santa in his sleigh are dear to their hearts for, even in the mechanized world of today, they know that Santa's appearance the night before Christmas depends entirely on these steeds.

The fact that St. Nicholas lives in a climate of ice and snow accounts largely for the belief that reindeer are his beasts of burden—these animals being almost solely used for this purpose in the far reaches of Europe and Asia.



What was the Star of Bethlehem?

A considerable literature has been written on the Star of Bethlehem, but without clearing up a mystery. If the exact date of Christ's birth were known there would be no such mystery. The date may have been as early as 11 B.C. or as late as 4 B.C. There is every reason for believing that our Christmas was not the day of the year on which Christ was born. The church simply carried on a pagan tradition which originally bore no relation to Christ's birth. Was the star a bright comet? If so there is no historical account of it that complies with the astronomical facts. For lack of an exact date the comet hypothesis can neither be accepted nor dismissed.

The Bible does not purport to be a textbook on astronomy. The narrative of Herod and of the Wise Men who saw the Star in the East that "went before them, till it came and stood where the young child was," all to their "exceeding great joy," is intended only to describe an important event and its consequences. We are told simply that a star indicated to the Wise Men that a birth had occurred which was of consequence to the whole civilized world and that the star pointed out the spot where the child was born. It is possible to infer from Matthew ii, 10, that in some way the Wise Men had for a time lost sight of the star, so that the two facts mentioned relate to two separate appearances. Of these two, the first induced the Wise Men to leave the east and set out for Judea; the second indicated that the place where the birth had occurred was Bethlehem. The star merely served as a guide.

It has been suggested that the Star of Bethlehem may have been the

planet Venus, which shines brightly at times. Wise Men who came out of Caldea and who knew their planets were not likely to have made any such mistake.

In some planetaria of the country it is the fashion to follow the devout and learned Kepler by displaying on an artificial sky a conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn which occurred in May, 7 B.C. The two planets could never be so close that they would deceive good eyes.

An English astronomer, the late Professor C. Pritchard, showed that a similar and close conjunction occurred fifty-nine years before 7 B.C. If the conjunction hypothesis is correct it should have brought a delegation of Magi to Judea. It is manifest that if the planets seemed to stand over Bethlehem they would not have appeared to do so when the Wise Men arrived at Bethlehem.

Modern astronomers are inclined to believe that the Star of Bethlehem may have been a supernova—that is, a faint star which exploded and shone brightly for weeks and perhaps months. Such supernova have appeared in historic times. Tycho Brahe saw such a supernova in 1572 in the constellation Cassiopeia. At its brightest it was visible by day, and it outshone Venus. Though it gradually declined in splendor it was visible to the unaided eye (Tycho had no telescope) for sixteen months.

At any rate the supernova hypothesis is the most satisfactory. A sudden stellar apparition was bound to impress practiced star gazers, just as it impresses experienced astronomers today. The supernova hypothesis is little better than a guess, but a plausible guess.

Silent Night, Holy Night



★ THE GUIDING STAR ★

Across the Eastern firmament
A Star shone forth that night,
And they who came to find their King
Were guided by its light:
The Star moved on until it stood
Above a village shed,
And there they found The Babe they sought,
Calm in His manger bed.

Rekindle, then, the lambent spark
That still lies deep within!
A Tyrant's power failed before
To find the lowly Inn:
And though a self-made Jupiter
Bestrides Olympus now,
Soon men shall not before him cringe
And none before him bow.

In lowliness The Prince of Peace
Unto the world was born,
In humble guise He healed the sick
And counselled the forlorn;
And throughout all ensuing years,
That arch the span of Time,
The Star that guided men of old,
Has guided things sublime.

Christmas still breathes with joy and love,
As on that Holy Night,
When Wise Men saw His guiding Star
That gleamed so strong and bright,
And wise men now still see The Star—
Men of good will on earth,
And children glad, expectant, learn
The Story of His birth.
—Henry Aynesworth Britton.

Babes Born On Christmas

There is a Scottish belief that to be born on Christmas is to have the power to see spirits and even to command them. Sir Walter Scott says that the Spaniards attributed the haggard and downcast looks of Philip II to the terrible visions he was able to see because he was born on Christmas.

French peasants believe that babies born on Christmas have the gift of prophecy.

In Silesia a baby born on Christmas will become either a lawyer or a thief.

In middle Europe it is said that if a baby is born at sermon time Christmas Eve, someone in the house will die within the year.

English mothers used to take sick babies to the door Christmas Eve midnight. Mary was expected to pass with the Christ Child. If the baby recovered, it was a sign that it had been touched by Christ, with healing fingers, and if it died, the Christ Child had called the baby to be His playmate in heaven.

Reminiscence

Across the years extends
A golden ray of light,
That floods the heart with memories
Aglow the darkest night.
And like the sweetest song of birds,
It thrills, at coming dawn,
To spur, by noble thought and deed,
New kindness yet unborn.

Sweet are those treasured memories
Of verdant, buoyant youth;
When love was pure and constancy
Went hand in hand with truth.
When rustic beauty filled the land,
The sea, the air, the sky;
While glamor still lay hidden deep
With moral standards high.

How strange, seems now, the trend of life
Compared with olden time,
When God seemed nearer in each home
And made the home sublime—
The place of Christian love's abode,
Like in the cornerstone
On which, foundation firm, was laid
Our nation's strength—glene.

Today, what forces running wild,
So deaf to Law Divine,
Would breach the walls the founders built
So firm, in perfect line.
The wonders science has brought forth—
God's gift to humankind,
Alas, man uses to destroy
His plan, all hearts to bind.
—George H. Sweetnam.

* Great Battle Prayers of British History *

King Henry V at Agincourt, near Dieppe, France, A.D. 1415

(According to Shakespeare)
"O God, when Thou givest to Thy servants to endeavor any great matter, grant us also to know that it is not the beginning but the continuance of the same until it is thoroughly finished which yieldeth the true glory; through Him that, for the finishing of Thy work laid down His life, our Redeemer, Jesus Christ."

Admiral Sir Francis Drake, Sadiz, Spain, 1588

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Admiral Lord Nelson against Napoleon, 1801

"May the great God, Whom I worship, grant to my country and for the benefit of Europe in general, a great and glorious victory; and may no misconduct in anyone tarnish it; and may humanity after victory be the predominant feature in the British Fleet. For myself individually, I commit my life to Him that made me; and may His blessing alight on my endeavors for serving my country faithfully. To Him I resign myself and the just cause which is entrusted to me to defend. Amen, Amen, Amen."

Excerpt from speech by General Bernard Montgomery in the Mansion House, London, England, shortly before the invasion of France, June 6th, 1944.
"Then there must swell up in the nation every noble thought, every high ideal, every great purpose which has waited through the weary years; then, as the sap rises in the nation, the men will feel themselves to be the instrument of a new-born national vigor. The special glory of the whole endeavor must be a surge of the whole people's finest qualities worthy to BE the prayer: 'Let God arise and let His enemies be scattered.'"

John Kroesing

Draying and Cartage

wishes to thank all his customers for their patronage during the past year, and extends to them

Season's Greetings

Stephen Janostak

Groceries

with the old, old wish that you will enjoy a

Very Happy Christmas
Bright and Prosperous New Year

Wishing all our

Customers and Friends
A Merry Christmas and
A Happy New Year

BOBBITT'S GROCERY

West Coleman

A Merry Christmas

and a

Happy New Year

Square Deal

Furniture Store

J. S. Crough Proprietor

We

Extend Heartly

Greetings for

A Merry Christmas and

Happy New Year

JIMMIE'S COFFEE SHOP

We extend to all our

Customers and Friends

The

Season's Greetings

KWASNIE'S

Dry Goods Store

BEST WISHES

for a

Very Happy Christmas

and

Prosperous New Year

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Antrobus

JACKSON'S GROCERY

Fifth Street

wishes its many customers

A Merry Christmas

and

A Happy New Year

A Merry Christmas

and a

Happy New Year

To All

EAST COLEMAN GROCERY

M. Hazuka, Proprietor

The Same Old Wish—

"A Merry Christmas"

D. Gentile

Shoe Repairing

Expert Skate Sharpener

Wishing all our

Customers and Friends

A Merry Christmas and

A Happy New Year

Sapeta's Bowling Alleys

and Pool Room

The

Season's Greetings

to all our customers

and friends

FAUVILLE'S GROCERY

Red Cross Reports On Its Year's Activities

As the year 1944 draws to a close, and now in our sixth year of war, we find once again that the local branch Red Cross Society can look back with credit at its performance in assisting whoever may need help, and in doing its share in the cause of this great humanitarian organization. We owe much to the citizens of Coleman, especially those who gather twice a week in the work rooms, and see that supplies are forwarded to headquarters as required. They may be few in numbers, but this is made up by the spirit in which this work is done. To our Friday night sewing class many thanks are also due, and altogether we present a body of workers whose whole object seems to be dedicated to the service of those who may require assistance of some kind.

We held 14 regular and emergent meetings throughout the year, and although attendances at these meetings are not large, nevertheless the work is being accomplished.

Our annual campaign was held in March, and once again Coleman came through with an "Over the top" contribution. We must include the employees at the power plant at Sentinel, who are ever ready to support any worthy appeal.

One of the highlights of the year's activities was the public presentation made to one of our esteemed workers, Miss A. Yuill, for her valuable and ever-faithful work performed in the service of both senior and junior branches since she organized the first junior Red Cross branch in Alberta in 1922.

The work rooms and activities were more or less closed for the summer recess, but we took up the work where we had left off, and went into the details of trying to have the Blood Donor Clinic visit Coleman. The clinic visited Coleman Dec. 5 and 6, and we take pride in the efficient manner in which this blood-plasma service to our Canadian troops on the field of battle was carried out. Our first attempt at this work being over, we are now planning for the blood clinic to visit us early in 1945. To our 200 voluntary blood donors we send our thanks, and also to the doctors and nurses, who so ably performed their respective duties.

To all the organizations in Coleman who so ably assisted in the financial help given us, we send our thanks. We wish to thank the International Coal & Coke Co. and McGillivray Coal & Coke Co. for their splendid co-operation and assistance, from both management and staff, who are at all times ready to assist in Red Cross work.

The financial statement and total number of articles shipped to headquarters will be published in a later edition of The Coleman Journal, the proprietors of which have this year, as in former years, ably responded to any request made to them for publicity, etc. To The Journal and to Mr. J. Emmerson, auditor, we express appreciation for work done on our behalf.

To the people of Coleman who may have father or brother, son or daughter in active service, as prisoners of war or in hospitals, we assure them that the local branch Red Cross Society stands ready to assist in any way, shape

SKATING RINKS NOW OPEN FOR SEASON

The open air skating rink has been in play for the past week and many youngsters are to be seen enjoying the healthy sport of skating each evening.

The arena is also expected to be opened this week and adults will be given the opportunity to don skates and enjoy themselves to the full with this healthful sport.

INCOME TAX DEDUCTIONS FOR STUDENT NURSES

"Parents of student nurses may now secure an income-tax deduction of 20% of the amount contributed (but not exceeding \$400) to the support of a daughter under 21 years of age training as a nurse at a public or provincially-licensed private hospital." This announcement is made by Miss Fanny Munroe, president of the Canadian Nurses Association, following the passing of a clause in the bill on national finance at the last session of the house of commons.

"This income-tax deduction is applicable also to the sister or brother of a dependent sister under twenty-one training at such a hospital," added Miss Munroe.

or form at any time should the occasion arise.

Ladies of the Coleman Red Cross Work Committee have been very busy throughout the entire year and have accomplished results for which they can be justly proud.

Following are the articles which they have completed and forwarded to provincial headquarters, from which point they are sent to various parts of this war-torn world: 29 quilts, 9 dressing gowns, 8 ladies' night dresses, 64 girls' bloomers, 1 girl's sweater, 1 girl's sleeper, 1 girl's blouse, 15 pairs boys' underpants, 41 pairs boys' socks, 17 pairs boys' pyjamas, 50 boys' undershirts, 4 boys' sweaters, 4 baby jackets, 6 baby bonnets, 3 pairs booties, 74 pairs men's socks, 15 pairs men's pyjamas, 66 Laf. stockings, 11 surgeons' shoes, 14 seamen's scarves, 16 turtle necked sweaters, 2 men's sweaters, 2 suits men's underwear, 100 sheets, 236 pillow cases, 40 housewives, 195 3-inch and 4-inch bandages, 70 triangular bandages, 272 handkerchiefs.

All these items were finished and shipped during the period February to Dec. 12, 1944.

"UNOM"—J. A. P.

RED CROSS NOTES

The following articles were shipped from Coleman's Red Cross work room to provincial headquarters at Calgary: 10 seamen's scarves, 2 seamen's sweaters, 40 handkerchiefs, 30 housewives, 15 pairs men's pyjamas, 2 quilts, 8 pairs boys' socks, 4 pairs girls' bloomers.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Dear Mr. Dutil: Mrs. Thomas has asked me to write and thank you for the splendid co-operation and the hospitality which was accorded the staff of the Mobile Blood Donor Clinic during their stay in Coleman. Nothing could possibly have been done to make the clinics more successful, nor the visit more enjoyable, and all your efforts are most gratefully appreciated.

We hope it will not be too late in the spring before the clinic can again visit Coleman and Blainmore.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. J. B. Williams, Secretary, Calgary Mobile Blood Donor Clinic.

Municipal Hospital Scheme Received Ratepayers' Approval; Coleman Votes In Opposition

Ballots Show 1069 In Favor With 324 Against;
Coleman's Poor Showing Disappoints Local Supporters

Ratepayers of the Crows' Nest Pass Municipal Hospital District went to the polls on Saturday last to record their decisions as to whether or not the Pass was to boost in the near future of an up-to-date municipal hospital. The results showed 1069 in favor of the scheme with 324 against.

The results gave the provisional board its two-thirds majority required to go ahead with the scheme.

Following are the results by polls:

	Yes	No
West Coleman	28	76
C. & E. Coleman	170	157
Blainmore	407	42
Bellevue	209	24
Hillcrest	169	3
Frank	65	5
Maple Leaf	6	0
Willow School	7	12
Burnis	8	5
Total	1069	324

The eastern section of the dis-

trict voted heavily in favor of the scheme and had sufficient reserve to smother the unexpectedly strong opposition expressed in Coleman.

It had been expected that Bellevue might give stronger opposition, but the results show practically no opposition in that town. Hillcrest gave the scheme good support. Blainmore, as expected, was solidly behind the scheme. In the farming district, opposition was expressed, the vote being 12 to 7 against.

It is expected that the provisional board will make a public statement within the next few days.

The poor showing in Coleman was hardly expected. Local supporters of the scheme are inclined to believe that too many are still not clear on many points and that is mainly the reason for the strong opposition vote.

Despite Coleman's opposition, the board can, by law, go ahead with its scheme and get construction started on the new hospital.

Canadian Legion Reports On Its Activities

The year now closing would appear to me to have been one of the most successful years in the history of the Legion in Coleman. Many things have been done that in years previous it was not possible to do. Our first project was the laying of the floor with marble, which was a vast improvement and added greatly to the cleanliness of the club rooms. Then came along our first activity of the year, the Yinks smoker. This was very well received and I believe, from the remarks heard afterwards, was a grand night of entertainment. This was followed in July with the Legion picnic, and we were fortunate to have the weather man smile on us. Sports of all kinds were enjoyed by old and young. I don't think I ever saw so few boys and girls eat so many buns and wieners and drink pop until their little tummies almost seemed ready to bust. However, that was another occasion on which everyone present had a real good time.

And now we come to the Armistice service and smoker. For some reason, the attendance at the service this year was very poor, probably the weather was not as favorable as it might have been. However, the service was conducted with the same quiet ceremony and the address of Com. S. Short will long be remembered. The smoker in the evening was attended by a capacity crowd of members and all seemed to have an evening packed full of real good fun and enjoyment.

At present we are having a series of tournaments, with turkeys as the main prizes, and four or five of the members have already won their Christmas dinner. So much for our activities.

We have been able through the year to make donations to many a worthy cause, also to assist many of our comrades who have found themselves in very unfortunate circumstances.

Our big project for the coming year is the completion of the Memorial Park. We hope, with the assistance of the town council and the general public, to make this one of the finest recreation centres in the Pass.

To all who have helped to make this year such a grand success we extend our sincere thanks and hope that the years to come will see us working together in unison so that we may have a bigger and better Canadian Legion. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

H. Houghton,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Supervision Of Open Air Rink Questioned

Many Routine Matters Discussed; Council Given Assurance That a Good Building Will be Erected on Vacant Lot Next Aboussafy Store.

Regular meeting of the council was held on Monday evening. Present: Deputy-Mayor Fred Cox and Councillors Jenkins, Lowe and Ramsay.

Messrs. A. R. Montalbetti and Fred Weir were present at council's request. Mr. Weir is the prospective purchaser of the vacant lot next to the Aboussafy store and which is at present owned by Mr. Montalbetti. Mr. Montalbetti has previously assured council that he would erect a building 25 feet by 75 feet, to conform with the town's building by-law. Mr. Weir agreed to erect a building with the same measurements and to conform with the by-law. A contract is to be drawn up between Mr. Weir and council, after which Mr. Montalbetti will be free to sell the lot to Mr. Weir.

Edgar Thomas was present to appeal against being forced to pay for ash removal. He stated he has been filling a hole in his yard for the past 17 years and there was sufficient space for another 20 years. Council was unsympathetic to his appeal. Similar cases to his had been refused. His case will again be discussed at a full attendance of council.

A few more areas are in need of street lights. Light & Water committee has been authorized to group these lights and submit them to the Light & Water Co.

A statement for \$142 has been received as arrears from the Unemployment Insurance Commission dating back to 1941. This account includes casual labor and the town foreman. Council refused immediate payment of this invoice until it satisfies itself on certain matters.

Letters were received from both the Salvation Army and the Coleman branch of the Canadian Red Cross, thanking council for its co-operation to both organizations.

The latest report on the local drinking water was one of the best received in a long time.

Council has been endeavoring to get a widow's pension boosted to the maximum amount. A letter was received from Edmonton stating that she was earning a certain monthly amount and for that reason she could not be given the maximum amount of pension. Council will now take the matter to Mr. E. O. Duke, MLA, in its fight on the

STORE HOURS

Tonight, local stores will close at 5.30. On Friday and Saturday, stores will remain open till 7.30 p.m.

Next week some grocery stores will remain open all day Wednesday, while others will be open only for the half day. Customers are advised to question their grocer as to his intentions on that particular day.

MEWATA GARRISON LIBRARY

Calgary, Alberta.
December 15, 1944.
Coleman Journal,
Coleman, Alberta.

My Dear Sirs:
At a meeting of the personnel of the Mewata Garrison, Calgary, I was asked to convey to you your very sincere appreciation of the donation of your paper to our Garrison Library.

I wish to assure you that The Coleman Journal was a very decided and useful addition to the files in our reading room.

Please accept our kindest regards, and best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year.

Yours sincerely,
Alex. G. Low,
Sgt. of Morale and Recreation.

IRENE BRENNAN REMOVED FROM SERIOUSLY ILL LIST

On Saturday the following wire was received by Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brennan from the Director of Records: Pleased to inform you S/Sgt. Josephine Irene Brennan has been officially reported making satisfactory progress and removed from seriously ill list Dec. 15, 1944.

Mr. Harry Douglas has returned home after nine months a patient in Coleman, Calgary and Banff hospitals, the result of a mine injury. He is now greatly improved in health.

widow's behalf.

A letter was received from the CBC stating that the radio reception problem in the Pass was receiving the attention of the authorities, but until equipment was made available it would be impossible to install a low transmitter in this area.

A letter dealing with fire equipment was tabled until a full attendance of the council.

A letter was received from a Coleman mother, asking who was responsible for the supervision of the open-air skating rink. She stated that last Friday older boys had turned off the lights and chased the youngsters off the ice. On Saturday no lights were turned on. Youngsters had built themselves a bonfire and one had been burned about the face. She also stated that she had witnessed youths sitting in the cabins smoking, swearing and playing cards.

Parks Chairman Jenkins spoke on an effort to build ice the caretakers were placed on the night shift, 10 p.m. to 10 a.m. He had been over-ruled in his plea to keep youngsters away from the rink while no caretaker was present. Some unknown person had put on the rink lights Friday evening and youngsters had started a fire themselves. Since that time, however, a caretaker has been taken off night shift and is now present when the children frequent the rink. He expected the condition to remedy itself this week when the big skating rink is opened to skaters. Council will investigate conditions at present prevailing at the open air rink.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Sgt. and Mrs. M. M. McMullen, of Calgary and formerly of Coleman, announce the engagement of their only daughter, Joyce Beatrice, to LAC Peter Owen Cropp, RNZAF, youngest son of Mrs. R. A. Cropp, of Wellington, New Zealand.

The Season's Greetings FROM THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

With malice toward none with charity for all; with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right—let us strive on to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow and orphan; to do, all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace.

Abraham Lincoln.

To All Children of Coleman



You are requested to be the guests of the
B. P. O. of ELKS at Picture Shows
in the Palace Theatre on

Tuesday, December 26th

and

Tuesday, January 2nd, 1945

Both shows commencing at 2 p.m.

The "Brother Bills" will be in attendance to take care of your comforts. So come along all you kiddies.

Signed, "BILLS"

WORLD HAPPENINGS
BRIEFLY TOLD

Since the war began the army has requisitioned more than 200,000 houses in Britain.

H. W. Healy, pioneer of radio and television, died in Manderville, England, after a short illness.

Canada grew 608,000 tons of sugar beets this year, 28 per cent. over the 473,300 tons 1943 crop.

Air raid casualties in Manchester since the war began were 559 persons killed and 1,778 injured.

A block of 12 penny black Canadian stamps issued in 1851 brought \$146 (about \$650) at an auction.

It can be disclosed now that aircraft which dropped jeeps and six-pounder guns in Normandy on D-Day were Halifaxes.

John Harding, 39-year-old engineer, who pleaded guilty at London to counterfeiting charges, said he learned how to make the false coins in a book written by an ex-Scottish Yard man.

A fund has been launched to restore the ancient Church of St. Julian, Norwich, Norfolk, destroyed by enemy action two years ago. Mother Julian, a great English mystic, lived 40 years in a cell in this church.

Canada's external trade, excluding gold, was valued at \$478,500,000 in October, compared with \$425,785,000 in the corresponding month of last year, an increase of 12.4 per cent., the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reported.

Waste Paper

Paper Salvage Is Needed Now More Than Ever

"Now more than ever before, the importance of waste paper in the work it can do at the battle front, makes it necessary to keep a large supply of it going through the mills." This was a statement of an official of the National Salvage Division in Ottawa when interviewed recently.

"Papers in your attic or cellar, thrown into the garbage can, burnt or in some other way destroyed, is of no value to Canada's armed forces," he said. "Paper turned in during local salvage drives, however, can play a big part in the packaging of vital supplies."

"Every scrap of paper that is not gummed or waxed, dirty or wet, is wanted. Newspapers, letters, paper board, cereal boxes, posters, tickets, envelopes, in short every bit of paper lying around unnecessarily in homes, offices and other buildings is needed," the official pointed out.

"Many people ask why the paper has to be tied in bundles," said the official. "The answer is simple. It's easier to handle! Speed in wartime is the essential factor, and the sooner the waste paper can be sent to the paper mills, the sooner it can be made into cartons and other battle necessities."

A USEFUL PRODUCT

Castor oil, the production of which has reached a high level in Brazil, has several advantages over other oils. It is particularly suitable for aircraft engines in view of its very low freezing point, its adhesiveness and its great resistance to heat; in addition, its percentage of residue and its solubility in gasoline or benzene are both very low.

REAL LIFESAVERS

Birds and monkeys save the lives of soldiers lost in the jungles. By watching what these creatures eat, men learn what berries and fruits are good to eat and which are poisonous.

Inspects Propulsion Unit Of V-2



Brndt L. Snell, of Orillia, Ont., is peering inside the propulsion unit of a V-2 rocket bomb that landed somewhere in the south of England recently. The jets that drive the rocket are located in this part of the projectile. Some observers describe the rocket bomb as "resembling a light post. So far no one in Britain has seen a complete one."

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

DECEMBER 24

THE GROUND OF UNIVERSAL JOY

Golden text: Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all the people. Luke 2:10.

Lesson: Luke 2:8-12; Hebrews 1:1-4; 1 John 1:1-4.

Devotional Reading: Isaiah 55:1-13.

Explanations and Comments

Tidings of Great Joy for All People. Luke 2:8-12. In obedience to a decree of Caesar Augustus, that all should be enrolled "each in his own city," Mary and Joseph went from Nazareth to Bethlehem, a distance of about 80 miles, because Bethlehem "the city of David," was the home of their ancestor. There Jesus was born and laid in a manger, for there was no room in the inn.

"I am grateful that he was born a little child and grew into manhood, that he gathered experiences as we do, and gained knowledge of our life by living it, sharing our common human habitation, our human joys and our human pains" (Richard Roberts).

Everyone knows the beautiful story of the shepherds and the angels, and the tidings of great joy that "there is born to you this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord."

Jesus as Son of God Supercedes All Earlier Revelations. Hebrews 1:1-4. The object of the Epistle to the Hebrews is thus given in the One Volume Commentary: "The Christians addressed are evidently in danger of falling away from their faith and apostatizing altogether. The Hebrews are discouraged to almost the extent of despair, because they do not see how the gospel can offer them anything like compensation for what they have lost in being east out of the synagogue on account of their confession of the Nazarene. This is the condition that the Epistle has to face. The method of meeting it is to boldly challenge the vaunted, venerable Judaism in its very citadel, the Levitical law. The author substitutes a comparison between Christianity and Judaism, or rather between Christ and the chief personages of Judaism (or with him 'Christianity is Christ' in order to show that Christ is their superior in their very points of excellency, and that the gospel gives Christians the very things that the Law professed to give, but much more effectually."

"In 1:1-7 the two methods of revelation are contrasted, Judaism rested on the Old Testament as its authority; Christianity rests on the revelation in Christ. The earlier revelation was fragmentary, and limited by the limited human nature of the prophets through whom it came; the later revelation is a unity coming through that One Person in whom Sonship to God has been fulfilled, and who therefore most adequately represents the divine nature."

WAS ONCE PRIZED

So rare and prized was pepper at one time in early Great Britain that it was not used as a seasoning, but was served in small amounts as a tasty tidbit at the end of the meal.

Beau Brummel lived the last 10 years of his life in Caugh, and died there in an insane asylum.

Show Keen Interest

People In Scotland Ask Many Questions About Canada

"To what extent is fish glue being manufactured in Canada?" "How are the Thousand Islands governed?" "If my daughter went to Canada, would she be sure of getting a job?" These questions and hundreds of others like them were put to Sgt. Anito Polybank C.W.A.C. of Victoria, B.C., by citizens of Edinburgh recently at an exhibition on the Canadian War Effort, which was held in Edinburgh in conjunction with an Allied Nations' War Exhibit. Sgt. Polybank was sent from London as the only C.W.A.C. representative at the exhibition. Although some of the questions put to her by curious Scots left her completely dumbfounded, Sgt. Polybank found that the Scottish people displayed a keen interest in Canada, her living conditions, immigration and the work being done by the Canadian army girls.

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Nearly 50 places in England bear the name "Sutton" either alone or in combination with others.

Would Suit Majority

Practically Everyone Likes To Have Room Of Their Own

Nobody has yet put a home with a room of his own for every citizen on the list of things which we want for the post-war world. Probably there are many people who do not like privacy and quiet, and who would not use such a room if they had it. But we think that a majority would be glad of a place where they could be private and apart, quiet and contemplative. The more intense modern life becomes, the greater becomes the necessity for a room of one's own, not as an ivory tower, but as a place where sanity and balance may be preserved.—Peterborough Examiner.

Grim Picture

People Of Europe Will Be Aided By Relief Measures

The liberated peoples of Europe will produce over 90 per cent. of their own food and clothing for the coming winter but "United Nations aid is needed to 'swing the balance' and prevent famine and pestilence from taking millions of lives, President Roosevelt reported."

Roosevelt painted a grim picture of conditions in war-ravaged Europe in submitting to Congress his first quarterly report on the work of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration as embodied by the Forest Economic Administration.

In an accompanying letter the President said the Germans had been "ruthless" in devastating Europe and emphasized that the liberated peoples, now numbering some 100,000,000, are being aided so they can help themselves "to meet the tremendous task of reconstruction that lies ahead."

"All the world owes a debt to the heroic people who fought the Nazis from the beginning fought them even after their homelands were occupied against overwhelming odds—and who are continuing to fight once again as free peoples," Roosevelt said. The FEA report on UNRRA, dated Sept. 30, gave this picture of the gigantic relief project:

UNRRA, with a world-wide staff of 1,700, is about to plunge into the greatest relief task in history. No actual supplies have yet been sent to liberated countries but field workers are either already in or preparing to move into Greece, Yugoslavia, Albania, France, Belgium, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Norway, Italy and Ethiopia, as well as the Far East.

Conditions found in the wake of liberating Allied armies were in some cases worse than expected, in others not so bad. People in freed regions are eating only 25 per cent. as much as the average American. Food shortages are particularly acute in Poland, The Netherlands and Italy.

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Eats Prize



The young owner of the prize-winning billy-goat would like to take the blue ribbon home to show the neighbors, but "Bill" has other ideas. He's of the opinion that those Pinehurst pet show rosettes make good eating.

Building A Home

Woman Says It Is Not Much Harder Than Running One

Besides handling a man-sized job in an aircraft plant and looking after a family of four children, Mrs. Mary Taylor is building a house at Toronto without any assistance.

"I never knew anything about carpentry or masonry or tinsmithing—but I seem to be doing all right," Mrs. Taylor said. "I don't think building a house is an awful lot harder than running one."

So far she has laid the concrete block foundation, built the steps and woodwork and laid the basement floor—all in her spare time.

Oil-Bearing Seed Crops

Prairie Farmers Produced A Larger Crop This Year

Saskatchewan and Manitoba farmers produced by far the greater proportion of oil bearing sunflower seed and rape seed crops in Canada in 1944, according to figures released by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. Cultivation of such crops became necessary when importation of vegetable oils was cut off due to war exigencies.

Total 1944 output of sunflower seed was 8,500,000 pounds, compared with 5,302,500 in 1943. Saskatchewan and Manitoba were the only two provinces growing sunflowers, Alberta having abandoned the crop after a small production in 1943. Manitoba led in 1944 production, with 5,650,000 pounds of sunflower seeds to its credit, up from 2,775,500 in 1943. Saskatchewan's 1944 production was 2,850,000 pounds up slightly from 1943 output of 2,432,000 pounds. Quebec, Ontario and Alberta produced small quantities of rape seed in 1944, the bulk of it being produced in Saskatchewan and Manitoba. Total 1944 production was 6,600,000 pounds, compared with 2,822,900 in 1943. Manitoba figure was 4,200,000 pounds, up from 1,200,000 in 1943, while Saskatchewan production was 1,920,000 pounds in 1944, 1,028,000 in 1943. Ontario production, at 300,000 pounds in 1944, was down from 574,700 pounds in the previous year.

BRIEF SUMMING UP

The record for the briefest summing-up is held by a famous English Judge—Lord Bramwell.

"Do you call the defendant?" asked Brannwell of defending counsel, and when the reply was "I do not," he exclaimed "Pshaw!" and turning to the jury said, "Gentlemen, consider your verdict."

Another summing-up by the same judge consisted of this:

"Gentlemen, I shall leave the case to you in eight words. The prisoner aimed at nothing and missed it."

NEW KIND OF BREAD

One thing to look forward to after the war is bread that won't get stale. It will stay fresh for two weeks—just as fresh as when it came out of the oven. Girls in the British Army are already making this new kind of processed bread. In fact, it was supplied to invasion troops who landed in Normandy.

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THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



REG'LAR FELLERS—Just Hard Luck



BY GENE BYRNES



LIFE'S LIKE THAT

By Fred Neher



"It doesn't have to be smart... I'll put the brains in it myself"

OUR CHRISTMAS STORY

"FINDERS KEEPERS"

By VIOLET MOSS

McClure Newspaper Syndicate

Ben turned his coat collar up against the biting winter wind and stared moodily into the toy store window. It looked so bright, so cheerful in there, the many-colored playthings strewn in studied disorder where they might tempt the last minute Christmas shopper. In the centre of the display, gleaming brilliantly, stood the red fire engine.

Ben remembered how, when they'd passed this store last week, the boy had stopped, his eyes bright, his young voice shrill with excitement. He'd said, "Look, Daddy, Mummy, lookit the engine! It's got a bell, just like a real one. It's—gee, it's swell!" That had been all, no demanding, no pleading. The boy knew better than to ask for anything so costly. The poverty of this last year, caused by Ben's illness, was about all his youthful memory could hold. The earlier days that had been before were forgotten. He knew only disappointment and lack. And that was all wrong.

Ben's eyes were stinging, but not because of the cold. Suddenly he felt so inadequate, so frustrated. This was the most important season of the year for children—it should somehow be made especially festive. But how, without money? His long sickness had eaten their savings so greedily and swiftly that it had soon become necessary for Nan to take part-time work. Oh, they'd never gone hungry, but for months he had lain helpless, waiting until the doctors pronounced him once more fit to work. Of course that was all in the past. Things would be different, after the first of the year when he began his new job. It was a good job, too—assistant foreman at the mill. Sure, but tomorrow would be Christmas, and about that and all it should mean to his son he could do nothing.

Turning almost savagely away from the window, he walked down the street to Gilden's Department Store. He might as well do his pitifully meager holiday shopping. A few handkerchiefs for Nan, a cheap game for the boy. Oh, well, he thought for regained health and a brighter future.

Once in the store, his face burning in the unaccustomed warmth, he hesitated for a moment before plunging into the swarming crowd around the handkerchief counter. Searching for an opening, his glance fell upon something dark on the floor. A change purse! Ben leaned forward, snatched it up and walked quickly, looking neither to right nor left, toward a telephone booth at one side of the store. He entered, slammed the door shut and, breathing hard, fumbled with the purse. Eight dollars! Like an answer to his prayers, he had eight dollars in his shaking hand. Enough to take care of this Christmas in the grand manner. That red fire engine, something wildly luxurious like perfume for Nan. A fat turkey. This was great, this was stupendous.

Well, what was he waiting for? He should go out right now, let his shopping, hurry home jubilantly laden with packages. But still he stood motionless, his eyes fast on the purse. It was such a shabby little piece of leather, so worn. It didn't belong to someone wealthy. It looked as if it—oh, what of it? Finders keepers, lower women. He stayed in the stuffy booth for fully ten minutes, fighting a battle with himself. When he finally emerged, his footsteps were slow and they were headed for the Lost and Found Department.

At the desk, Ben numbly handed the purse to the clerk, vaguely heard him say, "Oh, thank you, sir! The party who lost this has already inquired. Your making somebody very happy by returning it!"

Yeah, that was swell. He was making somebody happy—but not his family, his loved ones. Yet, at the clerk's hearty, "Merry Christmas to you," a surge of gladness swept over him, a feeling almost of triumph.

Absent-mindedly he left the store, walked about aimlessly for an hour, then remembered he hadn't done his buying. Rushing into the nearest shop, he chose from the least expensive gift items.

When he arrived home, awkwardly hiding the packages under his coat, the boy had fallen asleep, and Ben was glad. Somehow he couldn't stand that small pathetic face, those expectant eyes, tonight. He slipped his gifts under a chair, ate dinner with Nan quietly and went to bed.

And then it was morning, and someone was tugging at his leg. It was the boy. "Merry Christmas,

Daddy," he was shouting. "Come 'n' look. It's here! It's here!" Roy, checked and ecstatic, the youngster was pulling him into the living room. There was the shining red fire engine, other toys around it. Nan was handing Ben a package—fine leather gloves, a new pipe.

She answered the question in his eyes. "I've been saving, dear, all year on little things. I had to make this a Merry Christmas for all of us." He pulled her to him, kissed her hard to steady the trembling of his own lips. "There's just one thing, Ben," she told him after a minute. "All this wouldn't have been possible but for some person's honesty. I lost my purse yesterday at Gilden's and it was turned in."

He held her close as the boy raced excitedly up and down the room, danging his fire bell.

Had Saving Habit

Britisher Who Won Money In A Sweepstake Knew How To Handle It

Thirteen years ago level-headed William Robert Macey, of Faversham, Eng., won \$135,000 in the Irish sweepstake.

When the telegram came telling him about it he just went down to the nearby club to buy his first pint in two years. He gave up his \$15 a week job in a timber yard and began drawing \$22.50 a week from the bank. A year later he built a \$4,500 house for himself, his wife, four sons and a daughter.

And that's about all he did with his \$135,000.

Last July he died and now the story of his quiet life has been told in his will.

He left \$153,000. The extra \$18,000 was mainly the interest he hadn't spent.

Mrs. Macey was left \$1,350 in cash and almost all the \$153,000 was left in trust for her.

"But I shan't be moving from here now," she said. "I'm not a one for great extravagance either."

Babies Benefit

Health Clinics In Australia Give Them Good Start In Life

Australian babies are given a good start in life through the work of child health clinics which reach even the remote and sparsely settled districts of the interior.

Dr. F. W. Clements of the Commonwealth Health Department and director of Australia's Health and Medical Research Council, speaking recently to an Ottawa audience, said that these clinics reach 98% of all Australian babies at some time during their first year of life and that three out of four babies attend the clinics regularly.

Dr. Clements described the clinics in Australian towns and cities as similar to the Well Baby Centres, familiar to many Canadian mothers. Rural districts receive regular visits from mobile clinics set up in specially equipped railway cars and motor vans.

SELECTED RECIPES

CHOCOLATE TOP

2 pie paste
2 cups milk
2 tablespoons corn starch
1/4 cup sugar
1 teaspoon salt
2 eggs
1 teaspoon vanilla
1/2 ounce unsweetened chocolate
1 cup sugar
2 tablespoons butter
1/2 cup milk
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
Line a 9-inch pie plate with pie paste, building up the rim well. Prick and bake in a hot oven, 425 degrees F., for 10 minutes. Remove from the oven only long enough to pour in filling.

Filling: Heat milk. Mix the corn starch, sugar and salt and blend into the beaten eggs. Add hot milk gradually stirring until smooth. Add vanilla. Pour into hot shell and return to the oven. Bake in a moderately slow oven, 325 degrees F., for about 30 minutes or until custard is firm. Melt chocolate in top of double boiler. Add sugar and butter. Add milk slowly, 1 tablespoon at a time, blending smooth after each addition. Remove from heat, cool slightly, add vanilla and spread evenly over the baked filling. Yield: One 9-inch pie.

SEVEN IS MAXIMUM

Seven is the maximum number of eclipses that can occur in one year: five of the sun and two of the moon, or four of the sun and three of the moon.

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Incomparable Leader

Churchill Meeting Wartime Needs Of Britain In Inspiring Manner

Prime Minister Winston Churchill of Great Britain has passed the 70-years milestone. As a public man who "plays cricket," Mr. Churchill merited the neat compliment paid him by the 87-year-old Labor member of the British Commons, Mr. Will Thorne: "Seventy not out." For the record of the incomparable wartime leader of the United Kingdom and the greatest single force for victory for the Allied cause is an extremely good score.

Mr. Churchill has color, fortrightness and courage beyond gauging. As a soldier-statesman he is meeting the wartime needs of the British Isles in an inspiring manner. His only counterpart in the Commonwealth is Field Marshal Smuts, Premier of South Africa, while in the broader scope of the United Nations, President Roosevelt and Premier Stalin alone approach Prime Minister Churchill in leadership calibre.

From every nation—great and small in the Grand Alliance, will rise the prayer that Winston Churchill may be spared, in vigor of health, to complete the Allied march to victory, however long and rough the last mile may prove. A freedom-loving world salutes the one and only Churchill as he enters a new year and a new decade. Stratford Beacon Herald.

RATED A HOLIDAY

The town of Bahadurpur in Patiala, India, recently had its taxes cancelled for a year because a local soldier won the Victoria Cross.

'Teen-Agers Have Own Club



Toronto is another Canadian city which has added a "Teen Ager's" club to its assembly of amusement places. The first opened some weeks ago in Winnipeg, Man. Here a group of "teen agers" are making merry on the opening night at Jesse Ketchum hall where the club is located. Hip tunes are provided by the club's own six-man band. Here George Malcolm, clarinetist, plays the girls with his five.

Miniature Radios

Used In Holland For Listening To Allied Broadcasts

Dutch patriot workers have developed a pocket-size radio receiving set made to German specifications during the occupation of the Netherlands and used them to listen to Allied broadcasts. The existence of the tiny set was disclosed by a Hollander who approached British tank troops about to go into action somewhere in Holland. The man, who had been a laboratory worker in a radio factory, asked a correspondent if he would "like to listen to the news." He then held out a pocket watch that immediately began to vibrate with the confident tones of a BBC announcer. It was attached to a three-tube radio set packed into a small German-issued field dressing box with a Red Cross on the lid. The power came either from a battery or a hand-worked dynamo—also pocket-sized. The set was one of many that had been built as experiments.—Brandon Sun.

Clamp Down

Germany Will Not Be Able To Experiment On Weapons After The War

Prime Minister Churchill informed the House of Commons that the Allies were making plans to see that Germany could not carry out any secret experiments to develop long-range weapons after the war.

"We have a lot of regular people on the job and so have our American and Allied friends," he told a member who raised the question.

Mr. Churchill said he could not disclose American and British casualties in the war against Japan at the present time, as this information would help the enemy.

Girl's Jumper



By ANNE ADAMS

An adorable jumper with embroidery teams up with a simple blouse in Pattern 4825 to give her a nipped-in waist.

Pattern 4825 comes in girls' sizes 6, 8, 10, 12 and 14. Size 10 jumper, 1 1/2 yards 54-in. fabric; blouse 1 1/4 yards 35-inch.

Send twenty cents (20c) in coin (stamps cannot be accepted) for this pattern. Write plainly Size, Name, Address and Style Number and orders to the Anne Adams Pattern Dept., Winnipeg Newspaper Union, 175 McDermott Ave. E., Winnipeg, Man. "Because of the slowness of the mails delivery of our patterns may take a few days longer than usual."

ITEMS KOLUMN

—By F. P. K.

Some original, some copied, but all interesting, useful or provocative!

Safety First—

If you have plans for tomorrow, better be careful today!

Irish—

Baz O'Meara of Montreal "Star" as guest on Hot Stove league hockey, Maple Leaf Gardens, Toronto, said on Radio, "Another long forgotten, but well remembered Montreal team is the Maroons!" Yes—Baz is Irish, or is he?

Chewing Gum—

American soldiers overseas are consuming an average of 630 sticks of gum per man per year against 77 when in civilian life.

The Canadian Wrigley Gum Co. are ready to ship all the gum it produces, if necessary, on their Overseas Plan of 20 packages boxed for \$1.00 prepaid, to anyone in the armed forces. See your retailer for proper forms and do it now.

26 Babies—

On November 17th, these two headings appeared alongside each other in the Toronto Telegram, "Greatest single air assault opened winter offensive." "Modern stock express safely transports 26 babies from Quebec City to Chikoutimi." Fairly raining babies—what next in Quebec.

Think—

Are WE really worth dying for? Answer that to yourself and act accordingly.

Cigarettes—

From November 1 to 10 this year, Macdonald made 73,560,872 cigarettes. Over 58% were shipped to the war fronts by the Company—not counting those bought by the Home folk and mailed over.

By the way—did you know the Overseas Tobacco League, 93 King Street E., Toronto, have sent over 200 million cigarettes to the boys, bought with voluntary subscriptions? If you send them:

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These are not sent to individuals but to distributing centres, so all in service get a fair share. In each package of 25 will go a return card with your name and address on it and later on you'll get these back with notes from those who received the gifts. Quite a thrill, too!

Your Letters—

Postal clerks read addresses from the BOTTOM up—not down. Place all your instructions UNDER name of the city—Air Mail—Special Delivery or whatever.

Good Work

Wholesale Sock-Darning Is Done By British W.V.S.

"Wonderful work has been done throughout the United Kingdom by the British W.V.S.," says Mrs. W. E. West, director of Canada's Women's Voluntary Services, National War Services, Ottawa.

"Even the humble art of mending takes on a new importance when 38,000 socks a week are darned for service men by W.V.S. members. Over many doorways in Britain are signs that read, 'Soldiers' Repair Shop or 'Repairs where you Wait.' Shirt collars are turned buttons replaced. Sports equipment such as football gear are repaired, towels are patched and service stripes sewn on sleeves.

"In some towns there are even classes for service men to teach them how to do these jobs for themselves. According to reports received they have been most successful and popular. And they serve a useful purpose in making the service man conscious of the difficulty of mending great gaping holes in socks when such holes could have been prevented by a stitch in time," concluded Mrs. West.

For Her Cats

Why Old Lady In London Bombed Out Area Wanted Milk

The British Women's Voluntary Service, which reports regularly for relief duty when flying bombs fall in the London area, served 766,000 meals to the bombed-out during the first crucial ten weeks.

These workers have seen many tragedies—and also the humorous side. One old lady after her apartment block had been blasted came and asked the W.V.S. for a drop of milk. "I've always fed the cats around this part," she said, "and they might think something wrong if I stopped now."

The first crossing of the English channel by air was made in 1909.

Horses—

The first horse ambulance in Canada is now operating in Montreal.

If there are any horses able to read they'll appreciate this new development. One man can take the horse who has been hurt and is lying on the road—put him on a stretcher into the ambulance car by the use of a winch driven by the auto's motor. As many as five or six horses a day are removed in Montreal and taken to the owner's stables for the Vet. Many lives will be saved, especially in winter when a downed animal can easily get pneumonia from the chill of ice or wind.

Buy and Buy—

The real business life of Canada is determined by the people walking into stores and buying goods.

A Thought To Remember—

Flowers leave part of their fragrance in the hand that bestows them. Chinese Proverb.

The Guide Post—

Small considerations, small courtesies, small kindnesses, habitually practised in our social intercourse, give a greater charm to the character than the display of great talents and accomplishments.

Where Cabbage Is King—

There cigar lover
Don't you moan
Buy a cabbage
And roll your own!

"I'm Nine, She Said."

No bigger than a minute is this little girl who brings the Globe and Mail to me each morning—through rain, cold and dark days—always on time.

She says "Good morning," with an uplit in her voice that makes me feel so good that I come down at half-past six to "Good Morning" right back to her—and my day is started off right. But I'm inside, in a warm apartment, wearing a comfortable dressing gown—knitted slippers—with a cup of hot coffee already down when she appears out of the dark, cold wet morning, with her papers and a smile.

This morning I simply had to ask her age. "I'm nine, sir," she said. Her brother has the route, really, but he's "in war work" and she's carrying on for him.

All honour to the youngsters who see such a wonderful example—and especially to my nine year old "honey!"

Here's Speedy Relief For Tender, Aching, Burning Feet

Your feet may be so swollen and inflamed that you think you can't go another step. Your shoes may feel as if they were made of iron. You feel sick all over with the pain and torture; you'd give anything to get relief.

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No matter how discouraged you have been, if you have not tried Enderal Oil then you have something to learn. Get a bottle today—at all drugstores.

A Necessary Food

Potatoes Good Source Of Iron And Contain Vitamin C

Avoiding potatoes for fear of getting fat? Then, here's news from the nutrition division, Ottawa. One medium sized potato contains fewer calories than a chocolate bar, a serving of apple pie or a serving of cake. So, next time, think before choosing between dessert and potatoes.

The importance of potatoes in the diet was recognized in Europe in the 17th century when it was discovered that scurvy followed in the wake of potato famines. Many years later it was discovered that scurvy resulted from a lack of vitamin C which potatoes supplied.

Potatoes are a good source of iron necessary for good health. Without a serving every day, it is quite possible that there would be a deficiency of vitamin C in Canadians diets, even with a daily serving of citrus fruit or tomatoes.

The preparation of potatoes is important. Boiling or baking in their jackets is advisable. Baking is the best method of all.

The average Canadian eats about 196 pounds of potatoes every year, to about 78 pounds of all other vegetables in the same period.

Approximately one-fourth of man's life is spent developing and training his mind.

THEATRE NOTES

At the Palace this week end the main feature will be the film, "Government Girl." It is a story about wartime Washington and the romance-adventure of a government secretary.

At Bellevue this week end, "Pin-Up Girl," featuring Betty Grable. It is a musical and also stars Joe E. Brown and Martha Raye.

- Spotlighting -



LAC JACK JONES

youngest son of Mr and Mrs. Lewis Jones. Born and educated in Coleman. Was an employee of International Co. for six months before enlisting with the ICAF in May, 1943. Trained at Edmonton, High River, Mossbank and the west coast. At present based at St. Thomas, Ontario.

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What Christmas Brings

(Anne Salus)

A touch of twilight lingers endlessly throughout the stillness of a soft night and soft slumber sets the world abloom with a radiant happiness. The earth, embellished in satiny whiteness, where none but God's blessings tread the gentle way, proclaims this entitled peace and serenity. Oft a star flickers and then moves on until it is out of sight. As vivid lips of morning kiss the silence that broods upon the good earth, hearts so full kneel imploringly and adjust themselves in a thanksgiving to God.

Christmas enlightens the heart of every human. All is merry... the tired rest, the sorrowful rejoice, the selfish share and the noble seek equality with the poor. It is an event that brings the world complacency, joy and adoration. Even today, with the world at its present crisis, one cannot forget the delicacy of Christmas brings forth. Even though our families may be separated, those whom we love may be over there on the battlefields fighting for righteousness and to bring back a peace we once knew, our hearts will glory, for it is God's wish that we do.

Near and far faint murmurs of "O Silent Night, O Holy Night" repeat themselves praiseworthy. Thousands of wide-eyed children speculate in their gifts received from dear old Santa. Christmas trees culminate the room with glittering tinsel and fanciful colors. Greetings are announced from friends old and new. Faces show gaiety and welcome in unpretending harmony. All the world is aglow.

And while the earth is laden in luxurious white like a priceless jewel, and all are in sacrilegious and spiritual worship, a hand reaches out into the world and dominates but for one lone minute... it is the hand of God in blessing.

Card Of Thanks

We wish to thank all who assisted in any way during our recent sad bereavement; also those who sent flowers, sympathy cards and mass cards; also the pallbearers and those who heaved caskets.

Mrs. J. Penney and family, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Penney and family, and Mrs. W. Russell and family.

FLORAL TRIBUTES

CROSS—Steve, Amy and Sheila. WREATHS—Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hill and Mr. and Mrs. Eph. Hill, Alma and Chick.

SPRAYS—Mary and children, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McNeill, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Kennedy, Mrs. Florence Beart, Mr. and Mrs. James Yates, Mr. and Mrs. Neil McKinnon, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Robert, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Ash sr., Mr. and Mrs. J. MacQuarrie.

MASS CARDS—Steve, Amy and Sheila (High Mass), Mrs. James Penney, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Penney and family (Glouce Bay, NS), Mr. and Mrs. Leo Penney (Glouce Bay, NS), Mary and children, Alma and Chick Roughhead, Mr. and

Mrs. J. L. McNeill, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Naylor, Mr. and Mrs. W. McInnes (Bellevue), Mr. and Mrs. T. Brennan, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McIntyre, Mrs. J. Woods, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hillary, Mrs. Mary Panek, Mr. and Mrs. G. Grant, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Panek, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kapalka, Mr. and Mrs. A. Oliva, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lipovski, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Tompkins (Calgary).

tribute the assets of the Deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims so filed or which have been brought to his knowledge.

Dated at The Court House, Calgary, Alberta, 18th December, 1944.

D. L. SLOAN,

Public Administrator for the
Judicial District of Macleod.

SYMPATHY CARDS to Mrs. James Penney and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. Harrison and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. Glendinning, Mr. and Mrs. R. Hoggan and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Read, Mr. and Mrs. V. Siska and family, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Fleming sr., Mr. and Mrs. Joe Emmerson, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Phillips and Eddie, Mr. and Mrs. S. Leosky and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Roughhead.

SYMPATHY CARDS to Mr. and Mrs. Steve Penney and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. Harrison and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ford and family, Mrs. N. Laithwaite and family, Pythian Sisters, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Gate, Mr. and Mrs. J. Glendinning, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kosma and Mr. and Mrs. N. Burtnik.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
AND CLAIMANTS

In the Estate of PAUL YAGOS, late of Coleman, Alberta, miner, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims upon the Estate of the above named PAUL YAGOS, who died on 13th October, 1944, are required to file with the undersigned by 20th January, 1945, a full statement duly verified of their claims and of any security held by them, and that after that date the Administrator will dis-

tribute the assets of the Deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims so filed or which have been brought to his knowledge.

Dated at The Court House, Calgary, Alberta, 18th December, 1944.

D. L. SLOAN,

Public Administrator for the
Judicial District of Macleod.To Give Yourself
Your Own Business

Your own government in Alberta operates a complete fire and life insurance business for your benefit. It is a social service, backed by the entire resources of the province.

All Treasury Branches and agents throughout the province are fully qualified and ready to meet your insurance needs. They offer you insurance policies at the lowest possible rates, with maximum protection. Ask your Treasury Branch manager or local agent for full information about low-cost government insurance.



F. Antrobus, Agent, Coleman

COUPON CALENDAR

Butter—86, 87, 88, 89.
Sugar—Regular coupons Nos. 14 to 47. 48 and 49 become valid on Dec. 21; canning sugar F1 to F10. Preserves—Nos. 1 to 34; 35 and 36 become valid Dec. 21.
Expiring on Dec. 31—Any unused coupons in books No. 3 and 4.

In Memoriam

DOUGLAS—In Loving Memory of Mrs. John Douglas, who passed away at Hillcrest on Dec. 18, 1942. Peaceful be thy rest, dear mother, It is sweet to breathe thy name; In life we loved you dearly, In death we do the same. Ever remembered by her son, Harry, and daughter-in-law.

TURKEY and CHICKEN
DINNER
FROM NOW UNTIL NEW YEAR'S
WHITE LUNCH CAFE

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On Earth Peace to Men of Good Will

With the advent of Christmas this year, these words hold for us an added significance:

"Peace to men of good will!"

WE Canadians, whether we fight in the factory or on the farm—in industry or in the armed services, wish peace on earth to men of good will the world

over. We are fighting that the spirit of Christmas shall endure. And we rejoice that this Christmas brings with it the definite promise of freedom for all mankind.



Save the
Coupons for
War Savings
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BLUE RIBBON
BAKING POWDER

Ensures Baking Success

THE HOUSE OF SEAGRAM



In a Spirit of Joy We Say---"A Merry Christmas"



At Yuletide...

When the Christmas candles are lighted, the ornaments all in place, we'll pause to thank you for your patronage and to wish you the Merriest Christmas, Happiness and Health.

COLEMAN PHARMACY

Best Wishes Once Again

GOOD health, great happiness and prosperity to all are the wishes we extend in this best Christmas season of many long years.

BELLEVUE PHARMACY

A. Haysom, Prop. Phone 10f Bellevue

Good Will to All...

GREAT good cheer, prosperity, health and glad tidings—we wish them all to everyone in this season of peace and goodwill toward all men.

Shields'

"The Value Store" Main Street, Coleman



To the People of Coleman and District we extend

Season's Greetings

Crows Nest Pass Motors

Phone 105, Blairmore

CHEVROLET and OLDSMOBILE DEALERS
WESTINGHOUSE RADIOS



To the People of the Crows Nest Pass and District, we Extend

Hearty Season's Greetings

Thomas Gushul

Crows' Nest Pass Photographer

Phone 285, Blairmore

Our Motto—"Quality Not Quantity"

Sincere Greetings to all our Customers and Friends.

Wishing Everybody
The Compliments of the Season

Spic and Span Cleaners

Box 756

Fernie, B.C.

CHEERIO!

If Christmas finds you Happy and leaves you Glad, then will the Yuletide Season have fulfilled our most ardent desire.

Greenhill Hotel

Blairmore, Alberta

Greenhill Grill in Connection



Peace on Earth — Good Will To All

IT is our hope that the patronage we have enjoyed during the past year has been justified by the service we have rendered and that our service may be improved to warrant your continued goodwill through the years to come. To all — A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

JENSEN'S MODEL BAKERY

Victor Jensen, Proprietor



It has been a great pleasure to serve you during the past year, and we sincerely wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Knapman Plumbing & Heating

Blairmore, Alberta

A Christmas Message



BETHLEHEM

Let us now go even unto Bethlehem and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known to us. (St. Luke 2:15)

A snow storm and a blizzard—that is what we picture in our minds the very moment we hear the name "Toronto" or "Hamilton." It rather makes us thankful because we're "Westerners." And in the same way, to every mind, there comes a recalling of some incident or incidents when we think of different places. Coleman, coal mining; Trail, the smelter; Ottawa, government affairs; Toronto, snow storm; London, robot bombing; Berlin (does it still exist?) headaches; and so on.

At this Christmas season, not only the young, but we all naturally give thought to "Bethlehem." Though it was but a town, one of the oldest in Palestine, yet the prophet of old wrote: But thou, Bethlehem, Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall He come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting. (Micah 5:2). What does giving thought to this place bring to your mind? We associate it with the place of birth, the place of rejoicing, the place of business and activity. Our mind is not led to concentrate upon distress, fear, turmoil, hardships, but rather upon hope, joy, gladness, victory and new life.

First, Bethlehem was the place of business transactions. To the people living around this centre, this was a place where they could do their shopping, a place where they attended to legal matters. At the time of Christ's birth, it was a busy centre, for every one had come to pay taxes. So crowded was the place that Joseph failed to secure a room in the inn and with Mary was forced to lodge in a stable. Everyone had come at the king's decree to pay their taxes. Our Maker, our God, our Heavenly Father, He sends forth not a decree, but He gives you and I an invitation to attend to business connected with our spiritual life. Isaiah 1:18 reads: "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." This business should be attended to promptly. "Let us now go even unto Bethlehem," and it should be attended to personally.

Bethlehem, the place of "New Birth." The angel said unto the shepherds: "Unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." To them, this centre meant a place of new life. They left their tasks to come and see this thing which had come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto them. There was no delay in their coming, for they came with haste. Why not? Some of us would travel a long way with haste to see a new hat, a new radio or a new automobile. If we were with the shepherds, we would be in just as much haste as they were, and rightly so for they came to see the new birth. John 3:3 reads: "Jesus said... except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." If you attend to business matters concerning God and yourself, the new birth shall be yours. Let there be haste in our coming for now is the accepted time, now is the day of salvation. The wise men, they rejoiced when they saw even the star. What must their joy have been when they saw the Light of the World? The shepherds returned to their

tasks, glorifying and praising God. They had received the good tidings of great joy, and furthermore, they came in contact with the source of true and lasting joy, for:

"When Jesus comes, the tempter's pow'r is broken,
When Jesus comes, the tears are wiped away.

He takes the gloom and fills the life with glory,
For all is changed when Jesus comes to stay."

This is the result of the "new birth," which can be ours if we believe on the only begotten son of God, Bethlehem, the place of rejoicing.

Bethlehem old, yet new, O how I love thee,
For thou art the birthplace of my king to be.

For business, for new birth, for constant joy,
I now make my visit—these naught can destroy.

Lieutenant N. Sahrney.

AMENDMENT TO NSS CIVILIAN REGULATIONS CONCERNING LAY-OFF OF WAR WORKERS

A new regulation designed to simplify the laying off of workers in war plants which have completed war contracts was announced on Monday by A. MacNamara, director of National Selective Service.

The ruling, which is one of several recent amendments to National Selective Service civilian regulations, gives the director authority to withdraw the "designated establishment" classification from any such plant or industry. Workers may then be released, upon being given the usual seven days' notice in writing or six days' pay, without the employer having to obtain written permission from a Selective Service official for the release of each individual employee.

It is believed the new amendment will speed up the lay-off procedure, and will help workers to take over other important work without undue loss of time. Where such lay-offs occur, Selective Service officers will be usual on hand to help place employees in other jobs for which they are suited.

The new amendments also provide that an employer must give seven days' written notice or six days' pay in lieu of notice, to any employee being discharged, except in certain cases, including cases where the employee has been on the payroll for a period of less than one month or has been employed at building construction work.

During any such period of notice of separation, the employer must provide work and the employee must perform the work for the prescribed time. If an employer is convicted of contravening these regulations, the court may require him to pay the employee wages for a period up to but not exceeding six days. Additional penalties, in the form of fines and court costs, may also be imposed.

The term "Victory Holiday" is defined in the amendments as a day "proclaimed or declared a holiday by the government of Canada or a province of Canada or by a municipality to mark or celebrate the cessation of hostilities in any theatre of war." A victory holiday may also be declared by any employer to celebrate an armistice. In any case, a victory holiday may not be counted among the seven days required for written notice or the six days required for payment of wages at the termination of employment.

FORMER COLEMANITE WON
\$495 TUESDAY EVENING

A. L. Watkins, of High River, for a number of years liquor vendor at the Coleman store, snared himself a handsome Christmas present on Tuesday evening when his name was chosen by a radio program to answer the question: "name the largest body of water in the Great Lakes?" His answer of Lake Superior was enough to win him \$495. Good money for a few seconds work. His friends here wish him a "Merry Christmas."

BEST WISHES

for a
Very Happy Christmas
and
Prosperous New Year
STEVE EWANEC
Tailor

Christmas Cheer

OUR wish for you, and you, and you—for all our fellow citizens in this Christmas season—is prosperity, happiness and all the good things of life.



COLEMAN MEAT MARKET

N. Burtnik, Proprietor

Christmas Greetings

to all and my sincere wish that the coming year bring Peace on Earth and Goodwill toward Men.

IDRIS EVANS

Metropolitan Life Assurance Company
BLAIRMORE PHONE 266



To all our patrons—those who have shared with us and those who will share with us in the future—our heartiest and sincerest greetings. May Christmas be your best!

Rialto Pool Room
Main Street, Coleman

IN GRATEFUL APPRECIATION

To thank you, as we'd like to do,
Is far beyond our powers;
For if we had no friends like you,
There'd be no firm like ours.

RED and WHITE STORE
GATE and SHERRATT

The Season's Greetings to You

AND APPRECIATION OF YOUR
VALUED FRIENDSHIP
AND GOOD-WILL

The Coleman Hotel

Joe Lipovski, Manager



Christmas Cheer

TO you and yours in our community may this indeed be a Christmas of hearty good cheer. At this season we pause to thank our patrons for the assistance they have given us in the successful pursuit of our business and to assure them that we shall strive to serve in even more complete ways.

Fashion Shop

Main Street, Coleman



Happy Christmas
and a
Prosperous
New Year

to all our customers and friends.

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Coleman and Bellevue

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Sincere Greetings

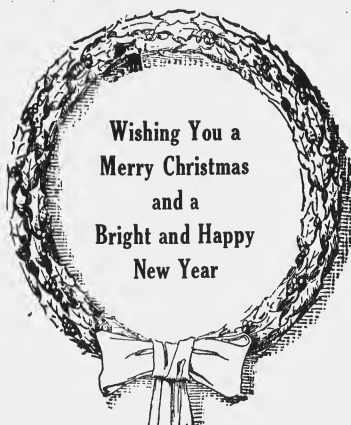
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Good Wishes for Christmas
and a
Bright and Prosperous New Year

HARVEY'S

Phone 138F

Bellevue





To The Citizens of Coleman:

Holiday Greetings--- And a Victorious 1945 International Coal & Coke Co., Ltd. and McGillivray Creek Coal & Coke Co., Ltd.

BELLEVUE BAKERY

Telephone 74w, Bellevue, Alberta

EXTEND to their Coleman friends and all others in the Crows Nest Pass hearty Christmas Greetings and express the hope that you will all enjoy happiness in the New Year.

HARRY MEADE Proprietor

Good Fortune

GOOD health, great happiness and prosperity to all are the wishes we extend to all in this best Christmas season of many long years.

J. M. CHALMERS
Jeweler, Coleman



To Our Customers

THAT Every Happiness be Yours this Christmas and throughout the New Year is the sincere wish of

McGrath's Barber Shop

Wm. McGrath and Sam Riva, Barbers



Greetings

It has been a great pleasure to serve you during the past year, and we sincerely wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Coleman Hardware & Furniture Co.

Christmas Greetings

GOOD Luck, Great Health, Happiness and Merry Christmas to all.

Nilsson's Radio Service

Located in Modern Electric Store

COLEMAN

PHONE 249w

A Christmas Message

Christmas 1944 New Year 1945 Greetings for Xmas; Good Wishes for New Year.

"Hail to December say they all It gave to earth Christ the Lord." My Dear Friends, and especially the Boys overseas:

The year 1944 is, because of defeats inflicted upon the brutal German forces, closing with high hopes of a United Nations' victory in the struggle to regain and restore world freedom and individual liberty of life and action to God's children everywhere.

For those who have already fallen and made the supreme sacrifice we pray "May they rest in peace and light eternal shine upon them." For those still in the struggle we ask Divine help and protection, and express the hope that the tyranny of war may soon be overpast and our boys return to home and loved ones in health and peace. While overseas, have constantly in mind your Home "that spot on earth presumably blest, a dearer, sweeter spot than all the rest." As you think of your Home and home town, you will think of your friends, those loving personalities who make both home and town so dear to you. It's fine to have a friend you can trust, but it is finer to have friends who can trust you. Our blessed Lord said, "And I have called you friends." Christ is your Friend. Christ is the Friend of your friends. Friends exercise friendship. Here is something about friendship:

"Life is sweet just because of the friends we have made And the things which in common we share;

We want to live on, not because of ourselves But because of the people who care;

It's giving and doing for somebody else, On all that life's splendor depends, And the joys of the world, when you've summed them all up, Are found in the keeping of Friends."

Back to the thoughts about New Year. Of the best of the New Year gifts, there is nothing like the gift of Remembrance. Whatever other gifts fail to reach you because of faulty transportation, or through act of the enemy, you may be sure of the Gift of Remembrance. You

will find it a very satisfying gift if you share it—not if you hoard it. The New Year's gift of remembrance is intertwined with Xmas. Whether you have the opportunity of making your Christmas Communion or not, be sure to remember in your prayers your home folk. If you do make your Xmas Communion, then in that sweet and solemn moment pray.

And then for those our dearest and our best. By this prevailing presence we appeal:

"O fold them closer to thy mercy's breast,

O do thine utmost for their soul's true weal;

From tainting mischief keep them white and clear

And Crown thy gifts with Grace to persevere."

The gift of Remembrance is a blessed gift. It blesses alike those who remember and those who are remembered.

Back to thoughts of Christmas: "What greetings can I send you

For this glad Christmas Day? For the wish that I would wish you

Goes beyond what I can say. Yet unspoken thoughts rise Heavenwards

In the silence when we pray. I will breathe my intercessions

Before God's Altar throne. And the best wish I can wish you

Shall be told by him alone. And the best thought I can send you

Is from him and not my own. And your name shall be remembered

In the Blessed presence there, Where remembrances are sacred

And each memory holds a prayer, And where loving thoughts shall leave you

In a loving Father's care." Now, as I say "au revoir," it may

cheer you to know that there is a service of Intercession every

Wednesday night in St. Alban's and you are remembered by name.

"May God grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be

strengthened with might by his spirit in the inner man: That

Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith, that ye, being rooted and

grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all saints what is

the breadth, and length and depth and height: and to know the love

of Christ which passeth knowledge—that ye might be filled with all the fullness of God."

Your friend and Rector,

W. E. Brown.

With Heartiest Greetings

The Spirit of Christmas would be missed entirely if we did not express a "thank you" to those who have helped us with their patronage. May we join your many friends in wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

EMPIRE HOTEL

Fred Davis, Prop.

Coleman, Alberta

With Heartiest Greetings

you have thought of all the good things which come to you this Christmas, double them and that will be our wish for you.

Toppiano's Grocery

Second Street, Coleman

A Thought For You

and all Good Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a New Year of Happiness to our Customers and Friends.

PASS DAIRY

J. L. Fauville, Mgr.

Phone 138m, Bellevue

Good Fortune

TO our customers and to our fellow merchants, to our friends and to strangers, we wish good fortune, happiness, and good health.

Sentinel Motors

E. Salvador, Proprietor



HEARTIEST GREETINGS

and Sincere Good Wishes for Christmas and the Coming Year to all

White Rose Service Station

L. A. Hartman, Prop.

Phone 6



The Journal Staff and Coleman Citizens Unite in Wishing the Boys and Girls in the
Armed Services **A MERRY**



and a Victorious 1945

with the added Wish that they will soon be rejoined with their families



S/L Foss Boulton, DFC



Corporal David Smith



PO Harry Houghton



Cpl. Al MacQuarrie



Pte. Ross N. Foster



FO Tom Goldring



LAW May Ramsay



Sgt. James Kroesing



Sgt. George Kroesing



Sgt. Ami Celli



LAC S. "Doug" Moore



L.C. Melville Cornett



Pte. Sam Gillies



Spr. Francis Marconi



Pte. Edward McKay



Pte. Steve Myssyniuk



Corporal James Lloyd



Sgt. John L. James



PO Calvin Godfrey, DFC



Spr. J. Rosh Cousins



Pte. Geo. Derbyshire, MM



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Cpl. Jock Wm. Bell, Jr.



S/Sgt. L. C. Richards



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Corp. Ellis Derbyshire



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L/C L. A. Caroe



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Pte. J. A. Howarth



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A/B CHARLES MARTLAND



LAC Ronald Jones



Cpl. Agnes Jenkins



Bndsmn. Chick Roughhead



Spr. Thomas Sudworth



F/Sgt. Jack Goldring

A Mother's Prayer

Dear Lord, you gave Your Son to save the world.
You did not count the cost in blood and sacrifice.
You gave Your Son that we might live—
Dear Lord, can I do less?
I gave the world my son that he might help to save
The things for which Your Son so nobly died.
If when the victory's won, Dear God,
And you send back my son,
I'll press him to my breast and thank You, Lord;
And if he goes to join Your Son,
I'll understand,
And through my tears rejoice,
That my son and the Son of God go hand in hand.

A Christmas Message



My dear People:

Once again Christmas finds us in the throes of war, with suffering on every hand and great anxiety in the hearts of so many people; but it is just to such people that Christmas 1944 will have a special message — the assurance that God does care! For it was to a suffering people that God first made the revelation of His Love in the Birth of His Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

The message is that God sees, and cares for His children, that He loves and that He saves us from the real evils which surround us.

God's gift of His Son at Bethlehem, and the self-giving of Jesus to which Paul refers in Philippians 2, verses 6-8, are the earnest of that love and the assurance that He knows and cares and helps. May this knowledge give you peace within your soul this Christmas-tide.

In our own anxieties, due to the present stress, let us not forget the younger ones, who do not understand, and therefore are not conscious of the stress of the times. Let us seek to give to them the joy of this Blessed Season.

As we thank God for the Gift of His Incarnate Son, let us show our thankfulness by our generous gift, at this season, to God's servant, His minister in your Parish, for whose personal use, you will remember, the Offertories on Christmas Day are assigned.

O Love, that maketh heavy burdens light,

O Love, that maketh bitter things more sweet,

O Love, that robs the darkness from the night,

That resteth tired, wayworn pilgrim feet.

Not only in the Bethlehem of old,

But in the mews and street, and at our door:

Not only in the chalice gleaming gold,

But in the patient faces of the poor.

We find Thee—yea, we find Thee every day,

In manger and on crosses by the way,

Yea, even our own soul's darkest agony

May be a Cave of Bethlehem for Thee.

May God bless you all, and give you a very happy Christmas, and in His mercy grant the Victory of Righteousness and Peace to us in the coming year.

Very sincerely,
Your friend and Bishop,
Richard, Calgary.



LAC JACK JONES

Elks to Give Kiddies Two Free Matinees

One to be Given Tuesday After Christmas and Second on Tuesday After New Year; No Candy Available.

Coleman kiddies are to be the guests of the Coleman Elks on Tuesday, Dec. 26, and Tuesday, Jan. 2, at the Palace theatre for matinees starting at 2 p.m. each performance.

The "Brother Bills" are unable to secure candy again this year, but in order to make up to the youngsters for the lack of this delicacy, they decided to give an extra free matinee.

Mrs. Cole has assured the Elks that she will have films which all the youngsters will enjoy.



The Churches

ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH
G. A. Ketyls, Pastor
Sunday, Dec. 24:

Morning service at 11. A Christmas Message by the pastor, and singing by junior choir.

Sunday school at 12.15.

Evening worship at 7 p.m. Under the direction of choirmaster James Cousins the senior choir has prepared a very fine Christmas service of song by candle-light.

The Christmas Tree entertainment will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 21.

You are cordially invited to these services.

ST. ALBAN'S CHURCH
Rector: Rev. W. E. Brown
Daily offices:
Mattins 9 a.m. Evensong 7.30 p.m.
The Fourth Sunday in Advent:
Holy Communion 8 a.m.
First Evensong of Christmas 7 p.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Holy Communion 8 a.m.

Holy Eucharist 11 a.m.

Tuesday, St. Stephen, Martyr:

Holy Communion 9 a.m.

Wednesday, St. John, A. & E.:

Holy Communion 9 a.m.

Thursday, Holy Innocents' Day:

Holy Communion 9 a.m.

Our Christmas wish to one and all is: "O, be thou blest with all that Heaven can send, long health, long youth, long pleasure and a friend."

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CUT BUTTER RATION JAN. 1

Canada's butter ration is to be reduced to six ounces per person per week, the Wartime Prices and Trade Board announces.

Effective Jan. 1, three coupons will become valid each month instead of four. These coupons will become valid singly instead of in pairs and will not expire at the month end as heretofore.

Quotas to restaurants and other quota users will be cut, although no reduction to hospitals is contemplated.

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S/Sgt. Irene Brennan



LAC Wiley R. Godfrey



Pte. Lewis Brown



Pte. Francis Mason



Str. Walter Dibblee



Str. Robert Brown



Sapper Fred Hirst



Pte. John Nimcan



P/O Solferino DeMartin



P/O Laurie M. Joseph



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MERRY CHRISTMAS

and a
Happy and Victorious New Year

We have pleasure in extending the Season's Greetings to our Policyholders. We have appreciated your loyal co-operation during the past year, and trust that 1945 will bring you happiness.

ADAM WILSON

Fire, Life, Accident, Automobile.

Phone 173w.

Christmas Cheer

TO you and yours in our community may this indeed be a Christmas of hearty good cheer. At this season we pause to thank our patrons for the assistance they have given us in the successful pursuit of our business and to assure them that we shall strive to serve in even more complete ways.

Frank Aboussafy

A Christmas Message



By G. A. Kettys

For some time prior to the birth of Jesus, humble men of faith within the Jewish nation were hoping and praying for the advent of the promised Messiah. Among other nations, too, there was an "Expectation" of a great Leader of the people. The Roman historian, Suetonius, wrote of it thus: "There had spread throughout the whole race and ancient and fixed opinion that it was in the fates, that at that time, persons coming from Judea should possess the Empire." Also Tacitus, another Roman historian, wrote of this matter: "In very many was the persuasion that it was contained in ancient books of the priests that, at that very time it would happen, that the East would prevail, and that persons coming from Judea would possess the Empire."

How natural, then, is the story of the Magi as found in the Gospel of Matthew. We understand that these learned men started their quest some months before they reached Jerusalem. "Where is He that is born King . . . (We) are come to worship Him." A Divine urge possessed them, and they obeyed. Tradition has it that one was old; one mid-way in life, and the third was a young man. It matters not the years we have known; if we have the urge and obey, we, too, shall see His star. For I believe the story of this Quest is reenacted during each generation. I've seen the glory of the Bethlehem star burst upon the wrinkled countenance of three score years and ten, setting out upon the Quest for the King. Truly "His mercy is from everlasting to everlasting."

"Where is He that is born King." They asked this question of the teacher at Jerusalem, and they were told to search in Bethlehem. Having received King Herod's charge, the Magi left the city, and "Lo, the Star, which they had seen in the East, went before them . . . and they rejoiced with exceeding great joy." Once more they felt confident. They found the star and prophecy to agree; Nature and Revelation united to guide them in their quest of the Great King, for they were sincere.

When a student, I was warned against pursuing a college course, lest I lose my faith. That was mistaken advice. For those who sincerely love God, "The heavens declare the glory of God," as well as the Bible. O Soul of mine, trust thou the loving urge within; rise even now and seek thy King.

"And they came into the house and saw the young child with Mary its mother; and they fell down and worshipped Him." They had sought and found. In the presence of Christ their souls were satisfied.

"How silently, how silently, The wondrous gift is given. So God imparts to human hearts The blessings of His heaven. No ear may hear His coming; But in this world of sin, Where meek souls will receive Him, still The dear Christ enters in. O Holy Child of Bethlehem, Descend to us, we pray; Cast out our sin and enter in; Be born in us today. We hear the Christmas angels The great glad tidings tell; O come to us, abide with us, Our Lord Emmanuel." (Phillips Brooks.)

The Journal staff is in receipt of an airmail Christmas Greeting from Lorny Caroe in Italy. He remarks that The Journals are still arriving regularly and that he hopes to be home before his subscription next falls due.

A Christmas Message



By Rev. Father Leo Sullivan

From the hills above the little town comes echoes of heavenly melody. From a midnight sky, a Star looks down upon a Stable, in which a Virgin mother and a Little Babe were sheltered. Bethlehem's population, augmented now by those who have come hither in obedience to the decree of Caesar Augustus ordering an empire census, is holding high festival or taking its comfortable ease. No one gives a thought to the travellers who, a few hours previously, had asked in vain for shelter from the bleak winter's night.

On the hills above the little town shepherds, sleepily keeping watch over their flocks, fear with a great fear, as night's shadows yield to a greater than noon-day brilliance. Now awake in every sense they behold a wondrous being, who addressed them in wondrous words announcing the Word made Flesh, the birth of the Savior who is Christ the Lord, and bidding them to go down into the town where they would find the Infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and laid in a manger. And then upon their astonished ears bursts the triumphant melody of the heavenly army: "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to men of good will."

The Bethlehem that had no room for the humble travellers knew of the stupendous events transpiring while it held high revels or rested from the day's task. The expected of the Nations had arrived right in its midst and Bethlehem knew it not. Only the shepherds knew and believed and immediately went into Bethlehem to do homage to the King whose palace was a Stable and whose Throne was a manger.

The chart of time unfolds. Teeming generations pass across the world's stage, too busily occupied with their affairs to give serious thought to the Word made Flesh. For always but a minority has found time to go over to Bethlehem to do homage to the King of Kings. And always the centuries of forgetfulness have bred war and strife, spilled seas of blood and released rivers of bitter, blinding tears.

The Babe in the Manger challenges the animosities and hatreds that poison the blood stream of humanity. If peace among men has been so repeatedly interrupted it is because the meaning of Bethlehem has been ignored and the message of Bethlehem forgotten. If only the generations of men had the faith of the shepherds; if only they permitted the angelic chorus to echo in their hearts! For Bethlehem spells friendship with their God and with one another, granted which, the solving of the world's problems would follow as a matter of course.

We cannot remake the world of men. But we can be a part of the minority by taking our place with the shepherds and making pilgrimage to the manger. Stooping low at the Stable's door, we shall find within all the world that Adam lost and shall know that peace which the world cannot give because in its blindness it elects to give allegiance to Caesar.

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CHRISTMAS TOURNAMENTS
AT LEGION CLUB

Christmas tournaments in darts, cribbage and dominoes are in full swing at the Legion club. Each tournament has a fairly large entry list and the opening rounds are now being played.

Turkeys will be given the winners in each tourney.



Sincere Greetings to all our Customers and Friends.

Wishing Everybody

The Compliments of the Season

Excel Builders' Supply Co.

J. A. D'Appolonia, Manager

J. S. D'Appolonia, Contractor

Peace on Earth — Good Will To All

IT is our hope that the patronage we have enjoyed during the past year has been justified by the service we have rendered and that our service may be improved to warrant your continued good-will through the years to come. To all — A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

McGAVIN'S BAKERY

Bob Paton, Mgr., Lethbridge.

Jack Houghton, Coleman Representative

This greeting's an old, old story.

Taken from an old, old page.

But just like all good stories,

It still improves with age.

MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR

C. J. TOMPKINS

TO you and yours in appreciation of your goodwill, we extend our wishes for—

A MERRY CHRISTMAS and A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Pattinson's Hardware Store

MAY fortune smile upon you through your remaining years.

This is the Christmas Wish of

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"For Everything Electrical"

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HEARTIEST GREETINGS

and Sincere Good Wishes
for Christmas and the Coming Year To All

Coleman Tailors & Cleaners

We Call and Deliver

Phone 85

GREETINGS

with the old, old wish—that you will enjoy a

Very Happy Christmas
and a
Bright and Prosperous New Year



Benny Berg's Barber Shop

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

and a

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

LAMEY INSURANCE AGENCIES

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Office in Kubik Block

Phone 46, Blairmore

Christmas Greetings

OUR wish for you, and you, and you—for all our fellow citizens in this Christmas season—is prosperity, happiness and all the good things of life.

The Friendly Store

Joe Kapalka, Proprietor



Season's Greetings

GOOD health, great happiness and prosperity to all are the wishes we extend in this best Christmas season of many long years.

J. A. C. D'Appolonia

Contractor and Builder, Coleman

Heartiest Greetings.

It is our hope that the patronage we have enjoyed during the past year has been justified by the service we have rendered and that our service may be improved to warrant your continued goodwill through the years to come. To all
A MERRY CHRISTMAS

White Lunch Café

O. W. Fiedler

For Happiness

GOOD health, great happiness and prosperity to all are the wishes we extend to all in this best Christmas season of many long years.

Coleman Café

"The Best Place for Eats"



Christmas Greetings

to all and my sincere wish that the coming year bring Peace on Earth and Goodwill toward Men.

Dr. R. K. Lillie

Dentist

WITH HEARTIEST GREETINGS

OF words there are many, and the thoughts they can express are legion, yet none can be more sincere than our simple wish to you for a Merry Christmas.

Charles Nicholas

A Thought For You..

GREAT good cheer, prosperity, health and glad tidings, we wish them all to you in this season of peace and goodwill toward all men.

The Motordrome

James Kerr, Proprietor





Peace Will Return

—and like the Star that Shone on Bethlehem, bring new hope and spirit to the peoples of the world.

Once again we wish our friends at Home, and across the Seas....

**A Glad Christmas—
A Peaceful New Year**

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THE PICTURE EVERYONE SHOULD SEE
Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's Greatest Triumph

'AN AMERICAN ROMANCE'

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IN GLORIOUS TECHNICOLOR
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**Saturday, Monday and Tuesday
DECEMBER 23, 25 and 26**

This is one of the Biggest Pictures to come out in the last 10 years. Don't fail to see this Masterpiece.

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Saturday Evening Two Shows, 7 p.m. and 9.15 p.m.
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PLEASE NOTE This picture will play no other theatre in The Pass.

COMING---DECEMBER 30 and JAN. 2

Katherine HEPBURN, Walter HUSTON and
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R.A.F. Airman At Pearce Tells Of Experiences In Canada To Scottish Newspaper

Tells Some Experiences on Trip
Through Pass to West Coast;
Given Big Play in People's
Journal.

During the summer there passed through Coleman three RAF fliers from Pearce, who were bent on seeing as much of North America as two weeks furlough would allow them. One was a Scotchman, James R. Findlay, of Dundee, and the other two Englishmen. The former must have kept notes of the trip, which saw them travel as far as San Francisco. He wrote of his trip to his father, who in turn gave it to the People's Journal, Dundee edition. A part of the story deals with their experiences in the Pass and it may be interesting to a number of readers. It reads in part:

From Macleod the airmen walk about two miles in the direction of the American border. They see a lovely car approaching, and they hopefully "thumb" it.

As soon as our benefactor speaks I feel homesick, and ask what part of Scotland he hails from. He says, "Dundee, Tannadice Street." His name is Dave Young. He came out here when he was 21, and is now a mine manager at Bellevue, where he is going—about 60 miles away. I settle back and lapse into broad Scots, and we blather about our native land.

A large Packard with only the driver as occupant passes us with

great tooting of horn. Mr. Young says the car has a Washington, U. S., license, and the driver may be going there. The State of Washington is about 400 miles away, and our projected journey takes us through there.

Without further ado Mr. Young toots his horn, accelerates, overtakes the Packard and signals the driver to stop. I ask him if he is going to Washington State, and if he can take three passengers. "Sure, come on in," he says. "I'm going to Spokane." What a lucky shot! Spokane is over half our westward journey.

Our new benefactor is an American who has been to Canada on business. Despite the condition of the roads, we coast along about 60 to 70 miles an hour. The mud is inches thick, and skids are frequent. Our driver seemed quite unconcerned.

We stop at a village called Coleman, a mining place. Many of the miners are standing about in groups. One old fellow, hands in pockets, wearing flat bonnet, no collar, and an old "nose warmer" pipe stuck in his mouth, saunters up to speak to us. Bob Anderson is his name, he is about 60 years old, and he came from Dunfermline about 30 years ago. He intends returning home after the war. His mother, 95 years old, is still in Scotland.

Junior Red Cross Reports On Year's Activities; Aid Given To National Charities

I bring happiness where sorrow reigned.

I am for the people who are helpless and in need.

I am the spirit of International Love among children.

I am the spirit of healing.

I am the Junior Red Cross.

The above statements express exactly the work of the Junior Red Cross and of how the members live up to their motto, "I Serve."

The girls and boys know that doing small things in a great way is the test of a good "junior." Good citizenship, helpful living, thoughtfulness for others, filling a part of life worthily is the aim of every junior.

This year the Junior Red Cross of Cameron school have tried to accomplish all these tasks. They have helped Charlie Davis in the Holy Cross hospital, Calgary; the patients and staff of our own hospital in Coleman; the children of Greece; the Queen's Air Raid Fund, which helps the children of the bombed areas in Great Britain, and the prisoners of war in Europe.

Last year our gifts were various musical instruments, and our reward was greater happiness and a new interest for our prisoners. They formed orchestras and passed away many hours in listening and taking part in the musical entertainment.

This year one of our gifts was a supply of writing material. Anything that makes the life of a prisoner more bearable is well worthwhile. We have helped the Milk For Britain Fund, and we thank Mr. Allan for the privilege of assisting him. We have sent donations of clothing to the nurseries in Great Britain. The Juniors of Alberta have adopted the children of one of the fourteen nurseries. The money for this is taken from the War Fund and from the sale of calendars. Last year we sold

350, and this year we hope to sell 400. We thank all those who buy calendars and increase our war fund, as well as the fund for crippled children.

We have helped the blind, and the secretary kindly sent us a photograph of himself and his dog "Wanda," the seeing eye. We donated clothing to the Russian Society. The work we are most interested in is making the crippled children able to walk, and wonders are performed in the Crippled Children's hospital. Each year we send them 30 dozen eggs, as well as donations to the Children's Fund. The coupons we collect help buy supplies for the hospital school, tooth brushes and combs for the patients and extras for the hospital.

We have helped Mrs. Antrobus collect magazines for the men and women of the forces. By the way: Mrs. Antrobus has sent more than 28 tons of magazines to the sailors, soldiers and airmen, a fine job and well done. We're proud to have been able to help. We have sent two parcels to the boys overseas and one parcel to the other ex-pupils of Cameron school's grades VI and VII, and we appreciate the letters and gifts they send us. We mourn the loss of three of our ex-Cameronians, and we salute two of our ex-pupils who have been decorated for war services.

Statement—War fund \$70, crippled children's fund \$15, air raid \$5, C. hospital \$3.

Clothing—10 afghans, 18 dresses, 2 pairs slippers, 9 sweaters, 1 pair overalls, 5 boys' suits, 2 scarves, 6 pairs socks.

The "Cameronians" say "thank you" to all those who helped them in any way, time, money, fats, sewing, etc. We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May the best that you have ever known be the worst you will ever know.—A. Yuill.

COUPON CALENDAR

Butter—86, 87, 88 and 89 become valid Dec. 14.

Sugar—Regular coupons Nos. 14 to 47, 48 and 49 become valid on Dec. 21; canning sugar F1 to F10.

Preserves—Nos. 1 to 34, 35 and 36 become valid Dec. 21.

Expiring on December 31—Any unused coupons in books No. 3 and 4.

Miss Adele Churla, of Vancouver, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Churla.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Parkinson plan on leaving early in the New Year for Creston, where Mr. Parkinson has secured employment.



SINCERE GREETINGS

and all

Good Wishes for Christmas

and a

Bright and Prosperous New Year

to all our Crows Nest Pass customers

Lethbridge Laundry Company

H. J. Templeton, Manager, Lethbridge
James Erwin, Pass Agent, Phone 22, Coleman



With Heartiest Greetings

and sincere Good Wishes for Christmas
and the Coming Year to All

Hillcrest-Mohawk Collieries, Ltd.
Bellevue, Alberta



We wish you a Merry Christmas, right heartily:
Lots of friends to give you greeting;
A season filled with blessings.

Plunkett & Savage

C. G. Cope, Manager, Lethbridge
"Bill" Johnston, Manager, Blairmore

Best Wishes Once Again!

**To All Colemanites.
For Happiness**

GOOD health, great happiness
and prosperity to all are
the wishes we extend to all in
this best Christmas season of
many long years.

Crows Nest Pass Bottling Works
Mark Sartoris, Prop. Phone 293, Blairmore

F. M. Thompson Co., Blairmore
(The Old Reliable Pass Retailers)

To you and yours in appreciation of your
goodwill, we extend our wishes for—
**A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY
NEW YEAR.**

PHONES 15 and 25

BLAIRMORE

Season's Greetings

May Christmas bring you the Season's
fullest measure of Good Cheer and Happi-
ness. May you find the New Year a
generous one in Health, Wealth and
Happiness.



J. M. Allan And Staff

Last Minute Gift Suggestions



Ladies' Evening Gowns
Ladies' Slips
Ladies' Ski Jackets
Ladies' House Coats all kinds
Boys' Ski Jackets

Kwasnie's

Main Street, Coleman



Xmas Gifts

SEE OUR LARGE SELECTION

For Ladies

LENTHERIC BOUQUETS in Tweed, A'Bientot,	
Miracle and Pink Party	\$1.25 and \$1.50
With Atomizers	\$1.50 and \$1.90
LENTHERIC SETS	\$3.00 to \$5.00
EVENING IN PARIS SETS	60c to \$7.50
ASHES OF ROSES SETS	60c to \$5.00
SCANTY COLOGNE	\$1.00
SKYLARK SETS	\$3.00
WOODBURY SETS	60c to \$1.25

For Men

SEAFORTH SETS for Men	\$1.50, \$3.00 and \$4.50
WALLETS	60c to \$8.25
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A large assortment of Toys, Writing Paper, Cups and Saucers, Xmas Crackers, Serviettes, etc.

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War Savings Stamps and War Savings Certificates This Christmas

No matter what else you give them, be sure to give your children War Savings Stamps or War Savings Certificates this Christmas. These war-time gifts will bring them peacetime happiness. Start them saving. Encourage the habit of thrift. Give them the pride of knowing that they too, can play a part to help win victory and peace.

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Local News

Mrs. Jasper Root visited at Lethbridge last week.

Mrs. Paul Sorotta is a patient in the Holy Cross hospital.

Born: To Mr. and Mrs. Percy E. Dickieson, on Saturday, Dec. 16, a son.

Miss Louise Aldoff, of Medicine Hat, is spending a visit with her parents.

Mrs. Dakin, of Calgary, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. George Vincent.

Born: To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Krish on Saturday, Dec. 16, a daughter.

Miss Rose Nimcan has returned home after several months spent at Calgary.

Arthur E. Graham has returned home after spending several weeks vacation at Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Salvador and Mrs. W. Field visited at Calgary during the week end.

Mr. Ed. Hutton is spending a holiday with his wife and family in the Cranbrook district.

Miss Eleanor Prowski, of Calgary, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Prowski.

Miss Dorothy Carruthers plans on spending the Xmas holidays with her father at Macleod.

Mrs. J. Lawrence, of Pincher Creek, was the recent guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. Akitt, and Mr. Akitt.

Born: To Mr. and Mrs. M. Michael, nee Annie Nicholas, of Seattle, on Thursday Dec. 7, a daughter.

Curling Arena Almost Ready For Opening

Waiting Room Glistens in Brilliant White; New Floor Completed During Week; May Curl This Week End.

The waiting room of the new curling rink is a joy to behold. At the week end a few of the curlers, paint brushes in hand, got busy and painted ceiling and walls with white paint, with the result that the room now simply glistens in brilliant white. Four strong lights show the room to advantage. The new floor in the waiting room was completed during the week.

Flooding has been carried on regularly and all four sheets are practically ready for play.

A number of extra pairs of rocks have been secured by members who have been anxious to purchase rocks of their own. Jim Kerr was most fortunate in securing a brand new pair last week, ordered last February from Scotland. Five other curlers in the Pass secured new rocks in the same shipment.



COLEMAN ELKS ANNUAL
CHRISTMAS EVE

Midnight Frolic

in the Community Hall, Coleman
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24
commencing at 12:05 a.m.

EDL'S ORCHESTRA

This is Designed as the Premier Dance of the Season

Admission: Ladies 50c, Gents 50c

Proceeds for Elk's Charities. Two Door Prizes.



St. John Ambulance Association
Annual **NEW YEAR'S**

Midnight Frolic

in the COMMUNITY HALL, COLEMAN

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31st
commencing at 12:05 a.m.

EDL'S ORCHESTRA IN ATTENDANCE

DOOR PRIZES—2 Five Dollar War Savings Certificates

Admission: Ladies 50c, Gents 50c

Cloak Room Facilities in conjunction with dance

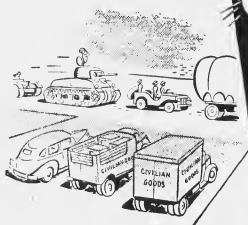
"I must warn the House and Country
against any indulgence in the feel-
ing that the war will soon be over."

WINSTON CHURCHILL
In the British House of Commons
November 28th, 1944

DON'T CONFUSE THE SIGNALS



War came. The manufacture of most civilian goods had to be cut down or stopped to make way for war production. That caused shortages of civilian goods—that was the **RED LIGHT**



don't jump the **YELLOW** light



Some restrictions are now being lifted, but it does not mean lots of goods right away. War's demands are still huge and must come first. We can't neglect them just so that some of us here at home can get a little more.

Don't confuse the signals—(This is the **YELLOW LIGHT ONLY**).

It means a little more of some things and it helps business men get ready for the time when there will be more materials and workers available.

It does not mean the end of shortages!

Getting back to peacetime production will necessarily be piecemeal and gradual.

"Patience" is the word.



it's **NOT** the green light yet

Only after Victory over both enemies can the Green Light be switched on, and the road cleared for enough production to meet all our civilian needs.

Britain's War Effort

IT HAS BEEN APPARENT since the beginning of the war that the people of Britain have faced the danger, discomfort and privation which they have been called upon to endure, with courage and optimism. They have experienced to the full the "blood, sweat and tears" which Mr. Churchill promised in his famous speech, delivered at a time when Britain's future appeared far from bright, but there has never been any indication of defeatism. Britain has been under frequent air attack throughout the war, and added to this has suffered continued shortage of many items essential to comfort, including food, fuel and clothing. In addition there has been the blackout. In spite of this, the British people have played a leading part in building up the great structure of men and materials which has at last out-matched Germany's military might.

Details Were Not Revealed

For security reasons, details of Britain's contribution to the Allied victory were not revealed until recently, when Mr. Brendan Bracken, the British Minister of Information, made them public in a White Paper entitled "Statistics Relating to the War Effort of the United Kingdom." In this paper it is stated that "the total war effort of the population of Britain is greater than that of any other belligerent," and there are many figures to prove the extent to which British resources, both human and material, have been mobilized. From a population of about 47,000,000, the armed forces have drawn 4,500,000 men and 500,000 women. On the industrial front the workers have turned out 70 per cent. of all the munitions "produced by or made available to the British Empire." These included 102,000 airplanes, 4,500,000 tons of shipping, 25,000 tanks, and nearly 4,000,000 machine guns.

Much Money Has Been Required

The money required to maintain this level of production has reached enormous proportions. Government expenditures, the White Paper states, have increased from four billions a year, to twenty-three billions. Carrying out this great undertaking has necessitated many financial sacrifices for the people of Britain, both individually, and as a nation. Assets amounting to more than four billions abroad have been sold and the foreign debt has increased by nine billions in the past five years. During this same period, exports on a commercial basis have been reduced by more than fifty per cent. Commenting on this aspect of Britain's war effort, Mr. Bracken wrote: "We have sacrificed most of our Victorian inheritance. What was the treasure of our grandfathers has gone, and it has been well and gladly sacrificed." The people of Britain and of the Empire should take great pride in the facts revealed in this White Paper.

PATENTS

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Human Interest Stories

Are Ample Proof That Most Editors Have Kind Hearts

Editors do have hearts despite all assertions to the contrary by reporting gentlemen of the press. True, they cut and "kill" without compunction, but just let a good "human interest" story come along and the milk of human kindness is discernible even to those who swear that nothing but black ink runs through an editor's veins. Picking at random some of it, stories of the week:

The light at Eighth Avenue and 54th in the world's busiest city flashes three times from red to green before Patrolman Reilly gives the go-ahead signal. Not until a little white cat has drunk his fill of milk spilled from a 30-gallon can, and has retired to the sidewalk tapping his paw, is traffic allowed to proceed. And it's news worth precious space.

Another member of New York's feline family watching the procession of letters down a black chute, and vainly trying to swat them as they pass, rates room in the papers.

A homespun pup searching for his missing master at a busy New York intersection for 48 hours, and has returned to the sidewalk tapping his paw, is traffic allowed to proceed.

And it's news worth precious space. And somehow these little items, telling of kindness, simple amusement, and loyalty help make not only editors but the war news itself seem less formidable. Christian Science Monitor.

Might Be Original

Vancouver Man May Have Copy Of First Canadian Newspaper

What may be the first newspaper printed in Canada was uncovered when Larry Wilson, proprietor of a Vancouver book shop, obtained a copy of the Quebec Gazette, published on Thursday, June 21, 1764.

Mr. Wilson found the ancient Gazette in a Vancouver auction room, noted the yellow appearance and the peculiar type faces and thought he had a treasure.

Because of the many forgeries which surround first editions, however, he immediately started an investigation to ascertain if his copy was an original or a forgery.

He has had correspondence with the library of Congress at Washington, the Boston Public Library, the Public Archives of Canada, McGill University, the Public Library of Toronto, and the late Douglas C. McMurtrie, noted historian of printing.

None of his sources could verify if the copy was authentic but some pointed out that facsimiles were published in 1864.

The paper is printed in English and French and is signed at the bottom as "our American colonies."

Until 1867, Alaska was designated on maps as Russian America.

Keeping Dry



The rains of autumn fail to dampen the spirit of the person of this Canadian soldier who keeps dry in no military manner while hiking to the Canadian front in Holland, where the downpour is almost continuous. The scrounged lumber-horn comes in very handy here the horn is for lighter moments.

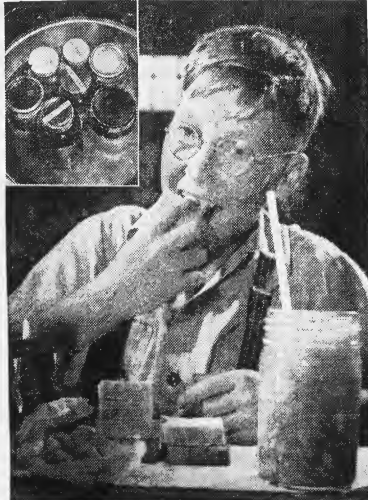
Enjoys Good Time

Prime Minister Churchill Joins Sing-Song Aboard British Cruiser

Winston Churchill sang "Waltzing Matilda" aboard a British cruiser during one of his visits in Normandy. The story is told by Lt. Peter Taylor, R.A.N.V.R., of Western Australia. Mr. Churchill was in the captain's cabin and using the cruiser as his headquarters when he was attracted to the wardroom by sounds of exuberant merriment during a sing-song. He heard a number of officers referring to Lt. Taylor, who is a bright spark as "Digger." Mr. Churchill, after asking the cruiser's captain if Digger was an authentic Australian, asked to be introduced to him. Then Mr. Churchill said: "I would like to hear you sing 'Waltzing Matilda'." Lt. Taylor sang the song, with Mr. Churchill and other officers joining in the chorus. "Mr. Churchill was grinning all round his cigar and looking like a real old British bulldog," Lt. Taylor said. "He said to me: 'That's the song the Australians sing entering Bardia. Those days we were all alone.' I then somewhat cheekily replied: 'Not alone. The Australians were always there.' Winston just grinned and patted me on the back. Mr. Churchill then asked everyone to sing 'Rule Britannia' and he led the chorus."

The University of Paris was the model for Oxford and Cambridge.

Something Hot For Lunch



Youngsters enjoy something hot for lunch at school and only the simplest equipment is needed for this type of school lunch plan. The children bring all their lunch from home and included is one dish to be heated. A covered jar prevents spills in the lunch box, and each child's jar is marked with his name. At recess the jars are collected and placed in a pan of water on the stove. When the twelve o'clock bell rings the contents are piping hot. Popular with the children in the rural Manitoba school in which this picture was taken are cream soup, stew, baked beans and creamed vegetables with cheese.

Price Control And Rationing Information

Q—I was married last month, please tell me what to do about the name and address on my ration book.

A—Advise your Local Ration Board of your present address, not forgetting to give them at the same time your maiden name and ration book number—be sure to change the name and address on your ration book to conform with your present status.

Q—I have been discharged from the Air Force and they did not give me any ration book. How do I get one?

A—We would advise you to get in touch with your Local Ration Board and your new ration book will be issued. It will be necessary to present either your discharge papers or a letter signed by the Commanding Officer where you were discharged. Do not waste any time in applying for your book, otherwise you will have to forfeit the coupons covering the period from the time of discharge to the time of application for a ration book.

Q—Are canning sugar coupons still valid?

A—Yes, the first ten "E" canning sugar coupons are still valid but only until December 31. These coupons are included in ration book number 3. After the end of December ration books 3 and 4 will be of no further use to you and may be destroyed after that date.

Q—I have given a one year subscription to a magazine as a Christmas gift for the past few years and have always paid \$1.00 for it. This year they have raised the price to \$1.50. Is this permitted?

A—The price of newspapers, magazines and periodicals are exempt from Price Board regulations.

Please send two questions or your request for the pamphlet "Consumers News" or the Blue Book in which you keep track of your selling prices, mentioning the name of this paper to the nearest Wartime Prices and Trade Board office in your province.

Prevent Floods

Proposals Are Being Studied For Post-War Work

The prairie farm rehabilitation administration announced that measures to prevent spring flooding in Brandon, Portage la Prairie and Winnipeg areas of Manitoba along the Assiniboine river now are being studied for proposed post-war projects.

The proposed work would include construction of two reservoirs in Saskatchewan, at Annie Laurie lake and Lomond lake, providing a capacity of 2,722,500,000 gallons of water.

Larger reservoirs would have to be built northwest of Brandon at St. Lazare and near Shellmouth in Manitoba with the St. Lazare dam some 60 feet in height.

MORE CARE REQUIRED

Canadian food must be marketed in better condition if it is to hold its own with other wares according to J. A. Teller, in charge of sheep production for the Dominion Department of Agriculture. The chief trouble is dirtiness, which can be greatly reduced by a little care in handling.

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A Great Craft

First Guild Of Silversmiths Formed In England In 1180

The history of English silver goes back to 1180, when the first Guild of Silversmiths was formed. In 1383 the word "sterling" was coined by Edward III, to denote articles made of unadulterated silver, 92.5 pure. Ever since the first guild was formed, silver has been marked with what is known as a hall mark, a mark peculiar to the individual maker and indicating to the initiated maker, date, etc. All early silver was marked with some emblem, each city having its own—e.g. London the leopard, Sheffield the crown. All Scotch silver bore the mark of the thistle; all Irish the figure of a harp.

The earliest English silver, was mostly church plate, the work of craftsmen monks, who fashioned lovingly the beautiful Communion vessels. Later, silver became secular and drinking-horns, tankards, beakers and christening mugs played their part in the life of the people. There was a strange fall, too, in early times for coconut shells and ostrich eggs mounted in exquisite silver designs. With the use of salt came the great silver salt-dishes, set in the centre of the long board, to mark the gradation of rank above and below the salt. During the early centuries, fingers being the only implements for eating, magnificent silver basins and ewers graced the feasts, being the giant finger bowls of the time.

During the 14th century spoons came into favor, developing from crude wooden articles into elegant silver utensils. One development of these, the famed apostle spoons, is the joy of collectors of today. About 1620, forks began to be used, but not till the 18th century, did cutlery, as we use it now—knives, forks and spoons—come into general use. To Queen Anne we owe much of our table nicety of today.

To England about 1658, came the hitherto unknown Chinese herb, tea, bringing to that land of fog and cosy firesides not only the genial custom of tea-drinking, but also, by degrees, all the elaborate silver paraphernalia of a stately social ritual. First came the teapot closely followed by the teacaddy, and tea-caddy spoons. About 1700 came the sugar bowl (the generous bowl of old times), while about 1750 the tea-urn made its first appearance. About 1790, the complete tea service was produced in all its silver beauty.

In 1742, a chemist discovered by accident that silver and copper could be mixed. From this discovery developed Sheffield plate, and silver, which had belonged exclusively to the wealthy, became possible for people of moderate means. Up till 1840, hand-made Sheffield plate of great beauty was produced in large quantities in England. In 1840, the discovery of electro-plating ended the day of the hand-made Sheffield.

Use Franchise

Compulsory Voting Is Urged For Citizens Of Canada

Compulsory voting in Canada was urged at Toronto by National President Walter G. Attridge, Montreal, of the Junior Chamber of Commerce of Canada.

Necessity for "get out and vote" campaigns is a "crime" in such a country as Canada, said Attridge, who described the Junior Chamber's drive with that objective.

Three Canadian cities registered less than a 27 per cent. vote in municipal elections, he told the Young Men's Section of the Toronto Board of Trade.

NOT HIS RESPONSIBILITY

The wife of a recently-married Aberdonian had successfully undergone an operation for appendicitis. A day or two after the operation her husband was having a whisky with the doctor, who in a moment of forgetfulness mentioned that the operation should have taken place two or three years earlier.

The father-in-law received the bill.

Meat Contracts

British Food Minister States What Canada Will Supply

Food Minister J. J. Llewellyn told a press conference in London that arrangements were being forward for conclusion of contracts with Canada for supply of bacon, ham and beef in 1946. He did not elaborate.

During this year and 1945, the food minister told the House of Commons, Nov. 15, Canada will supply a minimum 50,000,000 pounds of beef each year and three United Kingdom would purchase a maximum of 112,000,000 pounds this year and 134,400,000 in 1945.

SMILE AWHILE

Cyril: "You may spurn me, but remember I shall not always be a clerk at \$20 a week."

Marie: "That's just the trouble. You may lose your job any time."

"This is a great country, Pat."

"And how's that?"

"The paper says you can buy a five dollar money order for six cents."

"My father has influenza all the time."

"Doesn't he know that whiskey is good for influenza?"

"Yes, that's why he has it all the time."

Male Strapholder: "Madame, you are standing on my foot."

Female Ditty: "I beg your pardon, I thought it belonged to the man sitting down."

Secretary: "Do you know what time I have to get up to be here by nine?"

Office Manager: "Why not get here by nine and be out?"

"I am very worried about my son's health."

"What has he got?"

"A motorcycle."

"Did you hear about that delicate hint Mr. Hangan got last night?"

"No."

Well, Edith found that looking at the clock and other familiar devices were of no avail, so she asked for some refreshments, and her mother sent in a dish of breakfast food.

Neighbor (sympathetically)—And I know how these years must seem to you.

Deserted Wife—Yes, but I remember when he left just as if it had been yesterday—how he stood at the door holding it open until six flies got into the house.

"Hey, Bill," yelled one electrician to his helper, "grab hold of one of those wires."

"O.K.," said Bill, "I've got one."

"Feel anything?"

"Nope."

"Good! I wasn't sure which was which. Don't touch the other!"

The tired-looking man sat facing the solicitor.

"And so you want a divorce from your wife?" said the latter. "Aren't your relations pleasant, then?"

"Mine are," answered the other wearily, "but hers are perfectly horrid."

Mr. Pester: That's a pretty woman that just passed us.

Mrs. Pester—H'm! She's wearing her last season's hat, her puffs don't match her hair, her waist hikes up in the back and her skirt sags on one side. Men never notice anything.

SOON WEAR OUT

For every 100 combat rifles that go overseas, 80 will have to be replaced within a year. For every hundred machine guns, the ratio is 85 annual replacements.

The most important mineral substances required in food are the salts of iron, iodine, phosphorus, calcium (lime), manganese, potash, and soda.

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Elks' Christmas Matinee

Coleman Elks will be hosts to all Coleman kiddies at a Christmas matinee to be held on Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 26, at 2 o'clock.

Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, December 23, 25 and 26

Olivia DeHAVILAND and Sonny TUFTS in

"Government Girl"

The Romance-Adventure of a Government Secretary
also NEWS and NOVELTY

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Dec. 27, 28 and 29

DOUBLE PROGRAM

Johnny WEISSMULLER and Nancy KELLY in

"TARZAN'S DESERT MYSTERY"

and Alan CARNEY and Wally BROWN in

"ROOKIES IN BURMA"

Cole's Theatre, Bellevue

Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 23, 25 and 26

Betty GRABLE, John HARVEY, Martha RAYE
and Joe E. BROWN in

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also NEWS and NOVELTY

Orpheum Theatre, Blaimore

Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 23, 25 and 26

Humphrey BOGART and Michele MORGAN, in

Passage To Marseilles

Local News

Miss Ingrid Anderson, of Penticton, BC, is spending the Christmas holidays with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Axel Anderson.

Mr. Percy Dickieson and daughter Dianne motored to Calgary on Sunday, where Dianne will spend the holiday season with her grandparents.

Mrs. J. Robinson and baby daughter arrived from Calgary at the week end and will be the guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Beveridge, for the Christmas holidays. Mr. Robinson will join them this week end.

The Journal takes pleasure in welcoming to its subscription lists this week new subscribers: Mrs. Peter Truch, of New Westminster; Irene Brennan and Henry Eysackers, overseas; Harry Drew and L. A. Hartman, of Coleman. Also the renewal subscription for H. Major J. T. Dunbar.

Mrs. C. Parsons was a Calgary visitor last week.

Rebekah lodge members gathered at the home of Mrs. J. Rogers, sr., on Thursday evening to honor her at a surprise party on the occasion of her eightieth birthday. During the evening's festivities she was honored by the presentation of a beautiful engraved locket. Mrs. Rose Dunlop making the presentation on behalf of the lodge members.

The Ladies Guild of St. Alban's church were the guests of Mrs. Wm. Gate at her home last Thursday evening. Four tables of whist were in play, winners being Mrs. E. Hill, Mrs. W. Dutil and Mrs. W. Martland. During the evening's festivities Mrs. Gate, on behalf of the Guild, presented Rev. W. E. Brown and Mrs. Brown with gifts. Following a most delicious supper, the gathering held a community sing-song. The gathering broke up in late evening after a most enjoyable social evening.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Ryan plan on spending Christmas with relatives at Calgary.

Mrs. E. V. Wood entertained at two tables of bridge last Wednesday evening. Honors were won by Mrs. O. Salvador and Mrs. S. B. Ryan.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wilkie and family plan on spending Christmas at Calgary.

Mrs. R. Vincent entertained at two tables of bridge on Friday evening. Honors were won by Mrs. Wesley Vincent and Mrs. J. R. Kerr.

No Milk Deliveries Christmas Day or New Year's Day

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PEAS, Broder's Best, choice, 20-oz tin, 3 for	.47
PEAS, Green Giant, big tender peas, 20-oz tin	.20
PEAS, Aylmer, fancy, 20-oz tin	.20
CORN, North Star, cream style, 20-oz tin	.16
CORN, Green Lake, cream style, 20-oz tin	.16
CORN, Whole Kernel, 20-oz tin	.16
BEANS, Cut Green, choice, 20-oz tin	.16
BEANS, Cut Green, std., 20-oz tin	.15
DICED BEETS, choice, 20-oz tin, 2 for	.35
DICED CARROTS, choice, 20-oz tin	.16
MIXED VEGETABLES, Corn, Beans, Carrots, choice, 20-oz tin	.17

Canned Fruits

PEACHES, Castle Crest, halves, 20-oz tin	.22
PEACHES, Bestovall, 20-oz tin	.24
PEARS, Pride of Okanagan, choice, 20-oz tin	.24

Tea

SALADA TEA BAGS, box of 125	1.25
RED ROSE TEA BAGS, box of 60	.70
LIPTON'S TEA BAGS, box of 125	1.25
TENDER LEAF TEA, BALLS, box of 60	.69

Candy

YES, WE WILL HAVE CANDY FOR THE WEEK END	
SODAS, Christie's, IBC, Paulin's, per box	.25c and .50

DRINKS

CANADA DRY, large bottles	.25
SPARKLING WATER, large bottle	.20
HIGH-DRY GINGER ALE, Small 24 to a case, per case	1.55
Medium, 12 to a carton, per carton	1.15
Medium, 6 to a carton, per carton	.60
Large per bottle	.25
BLAIRMORE SOFT DRINKS - Assorted, 24 to a case, per case	1.25
PEPSI-COLA, 24 to a case	1.59
COCA-COLA, per bottle	7c
7-UP GINGER ALE, 24 to a case	1.55

SOUPS

MUSHROOM SOUP, Clark's, 2 tins	.25
HEINZ TOMATO, 2 tins	.25
VEGETABLE, 2 tins	.29
GREEN PEA SOUP, Aylmer, 3 tins for	.35
CAMPBELL'S Chicken Rice, Noodle or Gumbo, 2 tins	.29

TOMATO JUICE

HEINZ TOMATO JUICE, 20-oz tin	.15
CLARK'S TOMATO JUICE, 48-oz tin	.31
HEINZ TOMATO JUICE, 105-oz tin	.65
CLARK'S TOMATO JUICE, 20-oz tin	.15
LIBBY'S TOMATO JUICE, 20-oz tin	.15
LIBBY'S TOMATO JUICE, 48-oz tin	.33
CLARK'S TOMATO JUICE, 105-oz tin	.65
APPLE JUICE, OK Brand, 15-oz tin	.16

SALAD DRESSINGS

MIRACLE WHIP, 8-oz jar	.23
MIRACLE WHIP, 16-oz jar	.35
MIRACLE WHIP, 32-oz jar	.55
MARR'S FAMOUS, 8-oz jar	.25
MARR'S FAMOUS, 32-oz jar	.55

CHEESE

KRAFT, 1/2-lb package	.23
VELVEETA, 1/2-lb package	.23
BROOKFIELD, 1/2-lb package	.25
IMPERIAL CREAM, 4-oz package	.17
GOLDEN LOAF, 1/2-lb package	.25
CANADIAN CHEESE, per lb.	.38

CRANBERRY SAUCE per jar (1 coupon)

.40

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ALBERTA SPUDS, No. 1's, per 100 lb. sack	\$2.30
B. C. SPUDS, No. 1's, per 100 lb. sack	\$2.50

ORANGES

NEW NAVEL ORANGES IN THIS WEEK

SUNKIST, size 252, per dozen	.40
SUNKIST, size 176, per dozen	.58

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APPLES

HAVE A CASE ON HAND FOR CHRISTMAS

McINTOSH, Coe Grade, wrapped per case	2.35
McINTOSH FANCY, wrapped per case	3.15
DELICIOUS, Orchard Run, wrapped per case	2.49
DELICIOUS FANCY, per case	3.25

Pickles, Sauces and Olives

OLIVES, McLaren's, plain, 9-oz jar	.40
OLIVES, McLaren's, stuffed 9-oz jar	.55
OLIVES, Nabob, stuffed, 6-oz jar	.40
H. P. SAUCE, per bottle	.35
TIP TOP SAUCE, per bottle	.25
GOVERNOR SAUCE, per bottle	.25
DALTON'S JOLLY GOOD SAUCE, per bottle	.25
BEEFSTEAK SAUCE, Heinz, per bottle	.30
WORCESTERSHIRE SAUCE, Heinz, per bottle	.35
RAYMORE RELISH, 24-oz jar	.40
SOUR MIXED PICKLES, Dyson's, per jar	.45
SWEET PICKLES - We expect some for next week's shopping	
TOMATO KETCHUP, Heinz, per bottle	.25
WORCESTERSHIRE SAUCE, Paterson's bottle	.25

Canned Fruits

CHERRIES, Aylmer, fancy, 20-oz tin	.34
RED PLUMS, choice, 16-oz tin 2 for	.25
GREENGAGE PLUMS, choice, 20-oz tin	.15

Tea

BLUE RIBBON TEA, Red Label per lb	.73
BLUE RIBBON TEA, Orange Pekoe per lb	.85
NABOB TEA, Green Label, per pound	.75
LIPTON'S TEA, Red Label, per lb	.75
LIPTON'S TEA, Orange, per lb	.80

Xmas Stockings

for the kiddies	
.25 .35 .50 .75	
RITZ BISCUITS, Christie's, 2 packages for	.35



MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR

.. Faith ..

On weekdays through the year the door of many a church stands open, and on those days—notably now, as Christmas nears—people come in from the noisy street, that busy avenue, to sit a while in medi-

tation, to kneel a moment in prayer. Burdened, anxious, saddened, devout, they are a cloud of witnesses, silently testifying: "Though all be ill with the world, God is in His heaven; In Him is our trust." The shocks and strains and changes of a troubled time cannot shake that faith.

What is faith? The seers of old answer, and the sages of our day. It is that by which the just have lived; that which made the eper whole; that which makes any care or sorrow pos-

sible to bear. It is the light by which men may walk when the way is too dark for sight. It is the mind at its bravest. It is the chain that binds us to the Infinite, lifting us above fear. It is a bridge across the gulf of death.

Faith differs among men. One man's conception of God may scarcely resemble another's. But who would quarrel over that, so long as the faith of both means that goodness is the eternal law of God's universe and

will forever overcome evil? And with such faith shining on life comes faith in our fellowmen and in ourselves. There must surely be a blessing for those who have faith. Look for its sign in the clear eyes and the calm faces of people as they come out from the sanctuary into the throbbing world again, strengthened for whatever responsibilities, whatever trials may await them.

Christmas Legends

Some of the great philosophic truths of the ages are set forth in legends. The Christmas season recalls several that every child would delight in hearing.

The story of the Magi, a mystic part of the narrative of the Christ-Child, is one of the loveliest of all true tales. Do the children know that the Magi, a sect of priests among the Medes and Persians, celebrated for their learning as astrologers, and for their very deep wisdom? The three Magi travelled great distances to lay their treasures at the feet of the young Prince of Peace, Melchior, who was the King of Arabia, who was only 20 years of age. He brought a gold casket in the form of a shrine. Balthasar, King of Ethiopia, was a black-skinned man of 40 years. His gift was frankincense, which he presented in a censer or thurible-shaped jar. The youngest Magi was Gaspar, King of Tarsus, who was only 20 years of age, and who brought myrrh in a gold-mounted horn. These gifts were meant to symbolize what they knew Jesus was to become. The gold was for a king; the frankincense for a high priest; and the myrrh for the great physician.

The Magi, it is said, received gifts in return for those which they brought. For his gold, Melchior was given charity and spiritual wealth. For frankincense, Balthasar received perfect faith. And for myrrh, Gaspar was given perfect truth and meekness. Mary gave them also a linen band in which the Christ-Child had been wrapped. We are told also that the Magi were given a small box which held a stone. The stone was symbolic of the rock-like faith which should attend them. Thinking the stone was of little value, they cast it into a well. They were amazed and awed to see fire from heaven descend into the well. Whereupon, they carried the fire back to their countries, and placed it inside of a magnificent church where it was tended constantly and worshipped by the people.

The Three Wise Men are now sometimes called "The Three Kings of Cologne," for their bodies rest in Cologne Cathedral where they were placed during the reign of the Emperor Barbarossa. After having spent many years in preaching the Christ, they were martyred in India for their faith. Three hundred years later, their bodies were moved to Constantinople by Empress Helena, mother of Constantine the Great. Following the first Crusade, the bodies were moved to Milan, and finally to Cologne.

There is a story, too, which relates that the Magi, on their way to Bethlehem, came upon a young girl shepherding her sheep. When she learned who the strangers were, and saw the beautiful gifts which they carried, she burst into tears. An angel spoke to her, and asked, "Madelon, why do you weep?" The girl replied, "Because I have not even so much as a flower to give to the Holy Babe." The angel waved a hand of lilies, and immediately the pathway was beautiful with white Christmas roses. Madelon bowed behind the Wise Men, and laid her gift of flowers at the Christ-Child's feet.

To some, the legend of the Glastonbury Thorn is new. Before his crucifixion, Christ was resting in a wood. The magpies, while he rested, shielded him from danger by covering him over with Hawthorn fruits. As soon as the Roman soldiers had passed, the swallows came and carried away the fruits. Out of wish to do honor to the noble Hawthorn, Joseph of Arimathea chose a thorn staff when he started on his journey.

IS THERE A SANTA CLAUS?

This editorial, which has justly become timeless, was written in the New York Sun in 1897 by Francis Pharcellus Church in answer to a letter from a little eight year old girl named Virginia O'Hanlon who had been told by some of her friends that there was no Santa Claus.

Virginia, your little friends are wrong.

They do not believe except by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds.

All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless worlds about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus.

He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence.

We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished. Not believe in Santa Claus!

You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernatural beauty and glory beyond.

Is it all real?

Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives, and he lives forever.

A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

The Beat Of Christmas

As children they used to sing "Deck the Hall with Boughs of Holly," or they helped to trim the Christmas tree, stringing festoons of popcorn and polishing the reddest apples to hang on the branches; or they used to light candles in the windows on Christmas Eve. Stockings were hung, letters written to Santa Claus, mistletoe hung from the chandelier. Whatever the traditions, as the grown-up tells of childhood's Christmas, things were done by the family together, or by each child to help in the preparations, as they were done every year.

This is not the finding of a scientific study, but one emerging from an informal inquiry made and offered as a suggestion that the traditional things are the best things about the children's Christmas, and those best remembered.

Traditions varied. Routines differed. The remembered holiday high spot might be the annual reading of "A Christmas Carol," or a holiday matinee, or a Christmas party, or the bustle of washing and ironing dolls' clothes, decking dolls in hair ribbons, and setting them out in a row "to see Santa Claus." One little girl grown older, whose family background was Swedish, best remembers the ceremony of "Feeding the Birds," and the selection of a sheaf of ripened wheat to hang out of doors. In some families trees were decorated by the grown-ups, and one memory lingers on the special flourishes with which father always unlocked the door, revealing the festive tree gay with ornaments, winking with lights and loaded with gifts.

In other families the children helped to trim the tree, and the older ones lighted it while all but one supervising grown-up waited outside. It was a big moment when one was considered old enough to touch a taper to the little colored candles, wired to the branches. ("Of course it wasn't safe," one grown-up remarks, "but nothing ever happened, it was prettier than electric lights.")

Stockings were, variously, explored by uptoeing small fry as soon as day dawned; or opened after breakfast by the whole family—the maids included. One family had a creche, and the choice of a new animal every year was the children's Christmas privilege. Whatever the special event, it was always managed in the same way, and it was always a ceremony. And the traditions have carried over to this generation.

But if parents themselves didn't have any special Christmas tradition? Then, one young mother suggests, "Why don't they make up their own? If they don't want to read 'A Christmas Carol,' they can choose their own Christmas story."

"Bill and I sort of put together things each of us did in our own families," she said, "then we made up our own tradition." This was a puppet show, made by themselves for the baby's first Christmas. Now that Bill Jr. is five and Peter is three, the puppet show has become an established treat.

And this year? Fathers are in the services, some of them half the world away, but the stockings will be hung, and carols sung by the children as usual. One is sure of this as Bill and Peter's mother talks about their Christmas. Dad has been listed as missing since he last helped in the performance, but, of course, Bill and Peter will have the puppet show. This is not the first generation in which mothers have picked up the family traditions and carried them on.



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and

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There are several interesting plant legends. Two of them concern the mystery of the Goinge Forest in Sweden. On the eve of the birth of the Christ-Child the forest burst into beautiful bloom. Winter was gone, and for a few hours, flower, fruit, tree, and bird were joyously awake. At the same time, mysterious bells filled the air with the "Gloria in Excelsis." Abbot Hans walked in the forest, accompanied by a doubting monk who declared this wonder must be the work of Satan. Because of his doubt, the Magic Forest vanished. And, to this day, the only blossoming thing to be seen there at the Christmas-tide is the Christmas rose which still blooms to commemorate the Magic Garden.

The other Swedish legend is about

a group of poor peasants who were driven farther and farther into the forest. Christmas came, and they were sad because they could do nothing for their children's happiness. When night fell, the forest became softly suffused with a pale glow. The next morning, the children's hearts were made glad by a beautiful carpet of roses which covered the forest's floor.

Christmas tree legends are numerous. The Balsam is known as the Viking tree, because, when Angarius was preaching the White Christ to the Vikings, he chose this tree as a symbol. He sought a tree that would be as high as hope, as wide as love, and one which bore the cross over every bough. And he found the Balsam.



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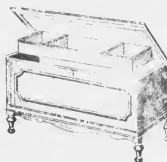


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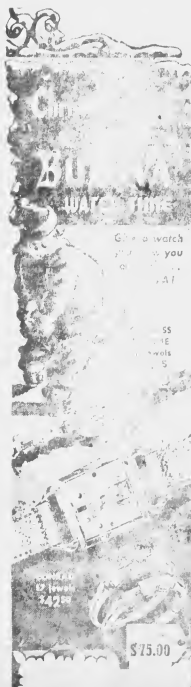


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